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INTERMENT OF LATE MR. FRANK LAMMERT.

The funeral of the late Mr. Frank Lammert took place at 4.15 yesterday, the ceremony being carried out at the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley.

In his younger days the late Mr. Lammert was a great athlete. He excelled at swimming and rowing, and represented Hongkong in inter-colonial cricket against Shanghai.

He took a very great interest in the Victoria Recreation Club, of which institution he was Hon. Secretary for a number of years.

Before taking up the auctioneering business, he was with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, serving in their offices in both Hongkong and Yokohama.

The late Mr. Lammert had resided in the Colony for the greater part of his life and was a familiar figure about town. The attendance at the funeral and the large number of wreaths sent, testified to the respect in which he was held.

The graveside ceremony was attended by Messrs. G. P. L. E. and H. A. Lammert (brothers), G. P. and A. Lammert (nephews). Among others present were Messrs. E. Haynes, C. Bond, T. Hynes, A. McKirdy, H. Seth, J. Williams, Kelly Sayce, G. Ross, R. C. Wittchell, J. Wittchell, Carroll, Silva-Netto, Gregory, Gould, Wiltshire, Stainfield, Inspector Wilson.

The Rev. Copley Moyle officiated.

Floral Tributes.

There were many floral tributes, including wreaths from the following:—Lionel and Florence Bertie, Florence and Alfred, Elsie, Ernie and Margery, Edwin, Jocelyn, and Elleen, Charles, Alice, Oswald Phroso, Frank and Gerald, R. F. Lammert.

E. W. Mitchell and family, Wong Fui, and Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Captain and Mrs. G. H. Gray, Dr. and Mrs. J. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stainfield, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. G. Grimble, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Kew, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Bridger, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Dutton, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hazeldene, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bader, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Shiu Wa, the Misses L. and G. Ellis, Mr. P. T. and Miss Farrell, Messrs. Lammert Brothers, The Chinese Staff Lammert Brothers, Ruttonjee and Company, Tso and Hodgson, China Mail, J. G. M. Green, and Son, Committee and Members of the V. R. C. Hughes and Hough, Moulder and Company, Gaud, Price and Company, King Edward Hotel, China Underwriters, Messrs. Woo and Nash.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. L. E. Haynes, Ho Lu, E. Ezra, J. Joseph, A. Mackenzie, F. Maitland, R. D. Thomas, H. M. H. Nemazee, Ho Kwong, I. W. Kew, E. S. Abraham, G. Rapp, G. H. Sellwood, Tai Hing, Mow Fung, H. Jephson, C. A. S. Russ, E. M. Raymond, M. McCarthy, A. W. McKirdy, J. W. Seth, P. C. Potts, C. Humphreys, G. Engel, H. Seth, G. C. White, W. Hill, W. F. Sanger, C. A. C. Rodriguez, J. W. Keives, E. G. Swan, J. W. Wittchell, R. C. Wittchell, A. R. R. Botelho, G. E. Wetton, C. A. Fulcher, H. Dreyer, R. H. Kotewall, R. Pestonjee, K. S. Leung, W. A. Butterfield.

Baby Hillyer.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. W. R. Hillyer, of the Harbour Office took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley last evening, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave officiating.

The principal mourners were Mr. Hillyer (father), and Mr. J. Taylor (grandfather). Others present included representatives of the Harbour Office staff, among whom were Messrs. W. McKay, C. H. Thompson, Elvidge, Andrews, and also Inspectors Shannon, Lanigan, and Wilson, Mr. H. Seth, Mr. C. Bond, and Mr. T. Hynes.

There were many floral tributes, including wreaths from the following:—Daddy, Grandfather and Granny, Sid and Phil, Grandpa

CARRYING ARMS.

SMART WORK DONE BY INDIAN GUARDS.

The timely arrival of an Indian on the hillside at Ngau Shu Wan, where the Hongkong Excavation and Pile Driving Construction Co., have their works, prevented the committal of a felony by nine men who were seen loitering on the premises of the Company in a most suspicious manner.

The story of the frustration of what might have been a serious crime was related at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when a Chinese was charged before Mr. W. Schofield and Major C. Willson with being in possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

In describing the arrest of the defendant Sub-Inspector Fallon said that at 7.15 p.m. on the evening of October 21, Indian Guard No. 266, employed by the Excavation Company, had occasion to visit the hillside, where he saw nine men loitering on the Company's premises in a suspicious manner.

The guard returned to his quarters and summoned the help of two other guards. The Indians approached the intruders and asked an explanation for their presence. The men ran away in different directions but the guards gave chase and eventually arrested four.

The first man to be caught was searched but nothing incriminating was found on him. Guard No. 266 pursued a second man, who ran towards a nullah into which he jumped. He was caught by the guard, who felt a revolver on the man's person. With the assistance of one of the others the man was searched and the revolver loaded in five chambers was found.

Two other men were also arrested and together with the first two were detained at the guards' quarters and then taken to the Kowloon City Police Station. Sub-Inspector Phillips went to the scene and discovered among some iron trunks another revolver loaded with four rounds. Two days later the Indian guards found a dagger covered in the sand.

After hearing the evidence the defendant was convicted and sentenced to four years' hard labour. The three other men who were seen loitering before Mr. Schofield on charges of resisting search and remained.

In England, Uncles and Aunts in England, Godmother in England, Miriam and Nellie, little George, all friends in England, Nurse James, Mavis and Kathleen, Gladys and George, Auntie Lou, Auntie Edie, Margaret, Phyllis, Iris and Reg and family, Patsy, Maggie and Arthur, Marjorie and Dick Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Cole and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Long, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Elvidge, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Agan, Mr. and Mrs. Spary, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Capell, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Blackmore, Mr. and Mrs. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fincher, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lanigan, Inspector and Mrs. Wilson, Capt. and Mrs. J. C. Thompson, Capt. and Mrs. Scott, Capt. and Mrs. W. C. Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Glendinning, Mr. and Mrs. O. Lanigan, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beattie, Mrs. P. Angus and family, Mrs. Elsworth and family, Miss Gilbert and girls, Mrs. C. J. Thompson, Miss E. Heang, Miss Lee, Mrs. W. Cock, Mr. P. T. and Miss Farrell, Mrs. E. Mackay and family, Mrs. and Miss Hardinge, Douglas and Alison McKay, and Amah, Messrs. W. R. Andrews, Nunn, E. F. Thompson, E. F. Brown, W. Hirst, G. Grimmett, J. Litton.

The Lighthouse, Staff and Cheung Kut, (Harbour Office) and Drs. S. Feahly and B. Melton.

COUNCIL MEETING.

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST RABIES.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday a Bill was introduced making provision for regulating the keeping of dogs and for the prevention of the importation and spread of rabies. The Watchmen's Ordinance was adjourned sine die.

His Excellency the Officer-Administering the Government presided over the meeting and there were also present:

His Excellency the General Officer-Commanding the Troops (Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.)

Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Colonial Secretary)

Hon. Sir Joseph Horsford Kemp, K.C., C.B.E. (Attorney-General)

Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer)

Hon. Mr. H. T. Jackman (Director of Public Works)

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police)

Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard

Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes

Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes

Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton

Mr. E. W. Hamilton (Deputy Clerk of Councils)

The Dogs Ordinance.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to make provision for regulating the keeping of dogs and for the prevention of the importation and spread of rabies. He said: The object of this Bill is to strengthen the hands of the authorities in their campaign against the very dangerous disease of rabies—dangerous to dogs and dangerous also to man. The Bill makes only one substantial change in the law, and that is effected by the alteration of the definition of the term "dog." The Dogs Ordinance, No. 5 of 1893, defines a dog in such a way as to exclude puppies under the age of three months. That is all right for licensing purposes and for purposes of general control, but it is not enough for the purposes of the campaign against rabies, and under the present Bill the term "dog" will include the animal of any age.

The rest of the Bill merely gives power to make regulations. It incorporates from the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1845, a section relating to dogs which is more appropriately placed in the Dogs Ordinance, and it increases the penalty for contraventions of the Ordinance from \$100 to the present normal maximum of \$250. The draft of the regulations proposed to be made under this Bill when it becomes law, has been published. The regulations while tightening up the present regulations do not, I think, materially differ from them. I should like to draw attention to one of the regulations which is new, and that is regulation 8, which provides that owners of dogs suspected of having rabies will have to report that fact without delay to the nearest police station. I beg to move the first reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Bills Passed.

The following Bills passed all their remaining stages and became law:

An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Procurator in Hongkong of the English Assi-tancy of the Jesuit Order.

An Ordinance to amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1913.

An Ordinance to amend the medical Registration Ordinance, 1884.

Watchmen's Ordinance.

The Attorney-General proposed, the Colonial Secretary seconded and the Council agreed that the second reading of An Ordinance to provide for the registration and regulation of watchmen be omitted from the Orders of the Day sine die.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

LADIES' NIGHT.

A SUCCESSFUL EVENING AT THE Y.M.C.A.

The Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Nights, which proved a popular feature of the Association's activities last year, have been resumed this year and another successful evening was enjoyed by a large number of members and their friends last night.

After dinner an enjoyable musical programme was provided, songs being given by Mrs. W. R. Fleming, Mr. McLeod, Surg. Lieut. Brindfield, R.N., Mr. Jack Grenham and Capt. H. Fogg, the latter leading in community singing.

Before the interval one of the popular competitions evolved by Mr. J. Hunt was indulged in, those present being asked to give names to drawings of animals and birds. The humorous designations of some of these created considerable merriment.

Refreshments were served at the interval and later there were further songs by the artists, the evening concluding with melodies sung by "Winnie's Warblers."

"SUBTLE INFLUENCE."

CHARGES AGAINST BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

Washington, Nov. 3. "Subtle influences" emanating from Britain, Russia and other countries are alleged to be working to undermine the confidence of South American countries in the United States, according to a report made by the Ambassador to Peru, Mr. Miles Poindexter. When called on by President Coolidge, Mr. Poindexter said that such propaganda took the form of criticisms of America's "Shylock ways" and also its attitude towards Philippine independence and its policy in China.—*Reuter's American Service.*

PROPERTY SALE.

INSURANCE COMPANY BUYS TWO HOUSES.

Two houses situate at Mosque Junction were sold by public auction by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa at the China Auction Rooms yesterday for the sum of \$17,600, the purchasers being the Tsun On Fire Insurance Co.

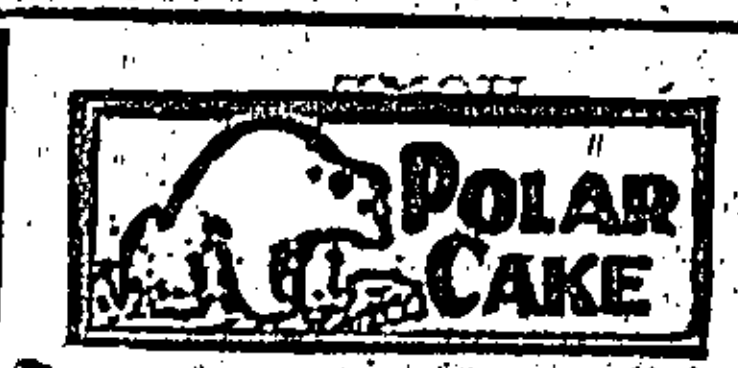
The two houses were Nos. 23, and 27, Mosque Junction and consisted of 799 square feet and 325 square feet respectively and registered in the Land Office as Sub-sections W and Y of Section A of Inland Lot No. 348.

The up-set price was \$15,000.

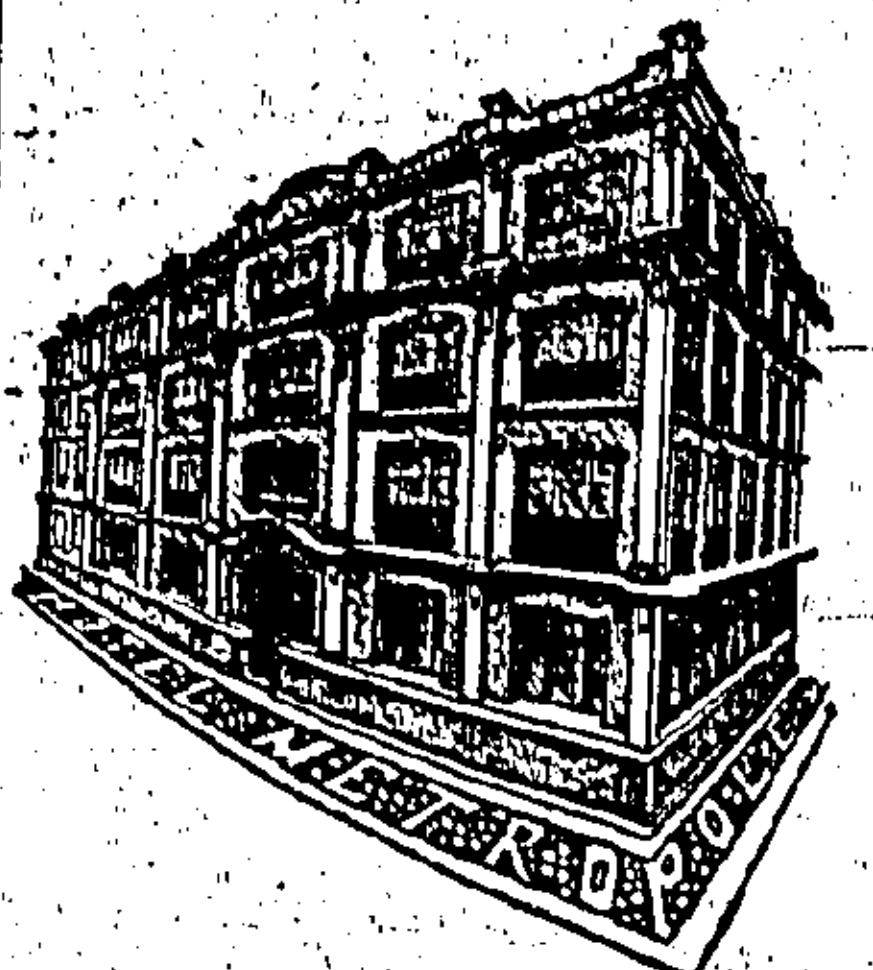
SEVENOAKS DISASTER.

JURY FINDS DRIVER AND FIREMAN BLAMELESS.

London, Nov. 3. At the inquest on the Sevenoaks railway disaster a verdict was returned of accidental death, the jury adding a rider in which it expressed the opinion that the causes of the derailment had not been proved by evidence. They did not consider the class of engine known as the river type suitable for fast traffic, owing to its rolling on this track, and exonerated the driver and fireman from all blame.—*Reuter.*



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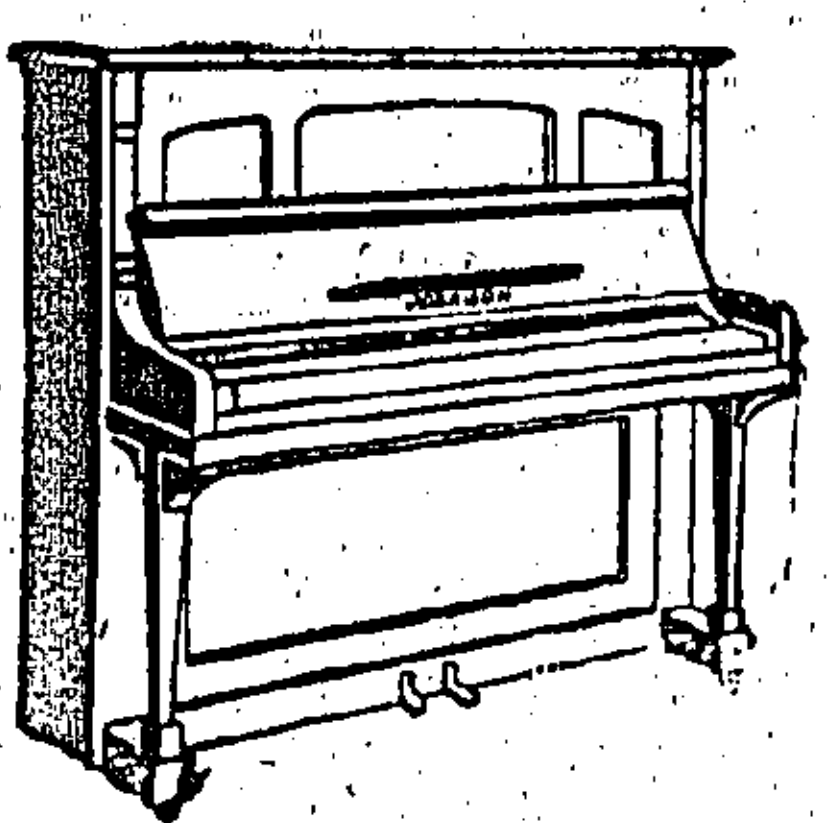
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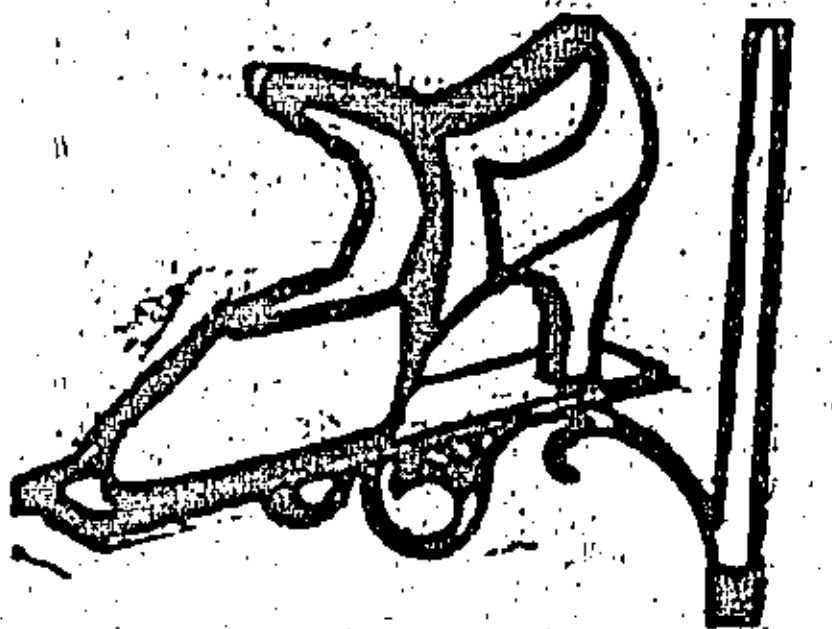
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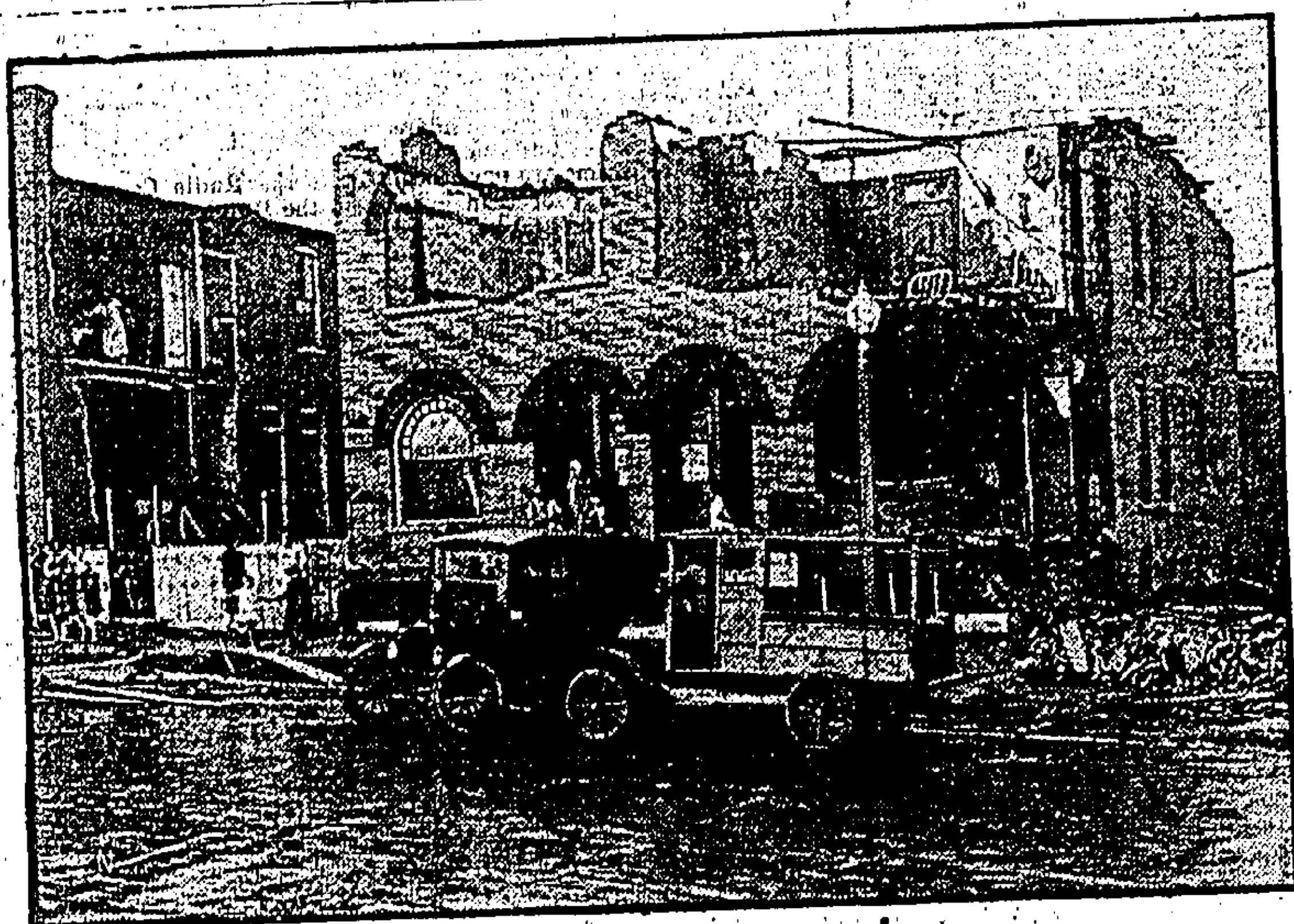
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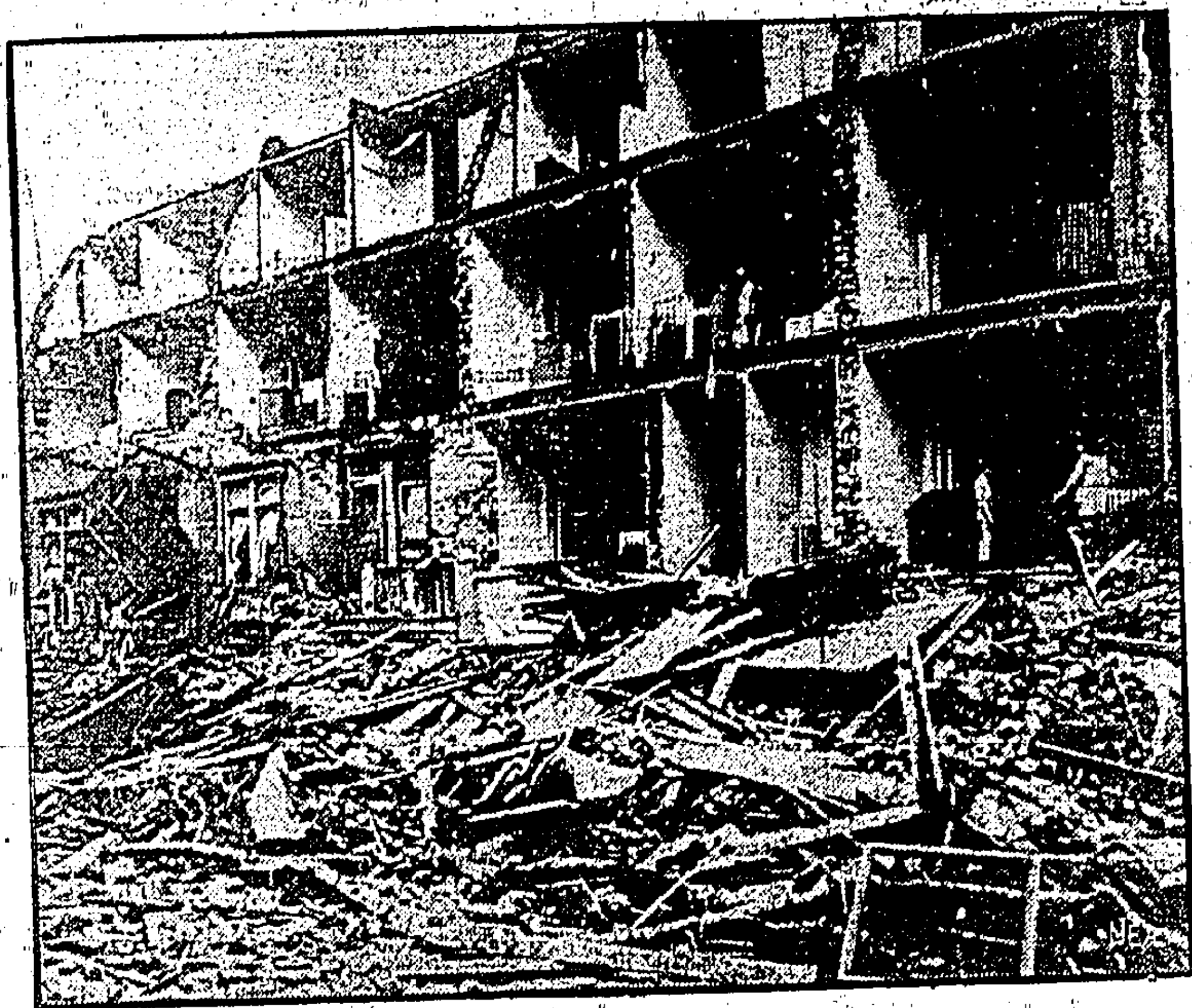
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ST. LOUIS CYCLONE HAVOC.—An automobile was an unsafe place to be in when St. Louis' cyclone raged through the streets. These two cars, parked at a curb, were buried when a brick wall collapsed on them under the wind's force. A man seated in the car at the right was instantly killed.



Here is the way hundreds of St. Louis homes looked after the cyclone had passed.



All that was left of an apartment building.



Cool-headed teachers and a well-performed fire drill saved the lives of many children when the Columbia school, at Garrison and St. Louis avenues, was struck.



A HOSPITAL STRUCK.—Sixty-three patients, most of them prospective mothers, were rescued when the St. Louis cyclone struck the Mullanphy hospital, a Catholic institution. The photograph shows how badly the hospital was damaged.



THE AMERICAN LEGION IN LONDON.—Members of the American Legion, during their visit to London, placed wreaths on the Cenotaph and on the tomb of the Unknown Warrior. They are seen marching down Whitehall. (Times copyright).



LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Mrs. Van Haute and Mrs. Stafford Smith, photographed at the Majestic Hotel Courts before playing the finals in the Ladies' Singles Championship of Shanghai. Mrs. Van Haute retained her title of Champion, defeating Mrs. Stafford Smith 6-2, 7-5.

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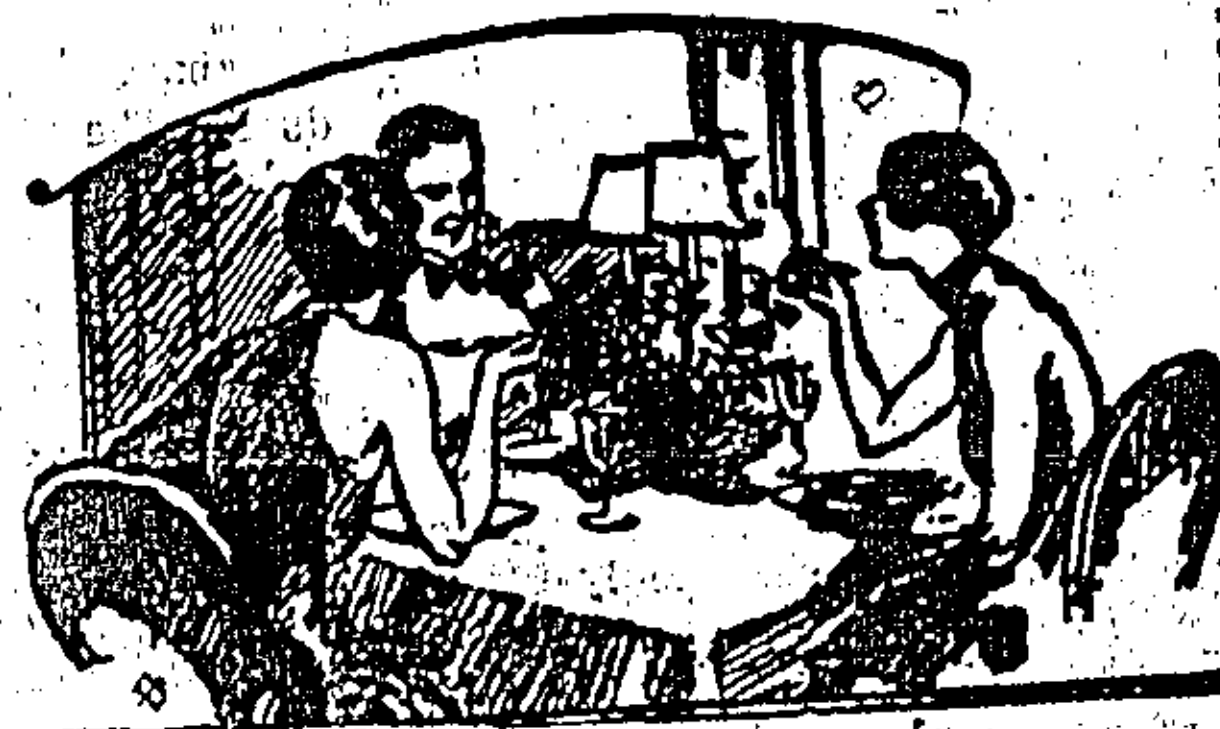
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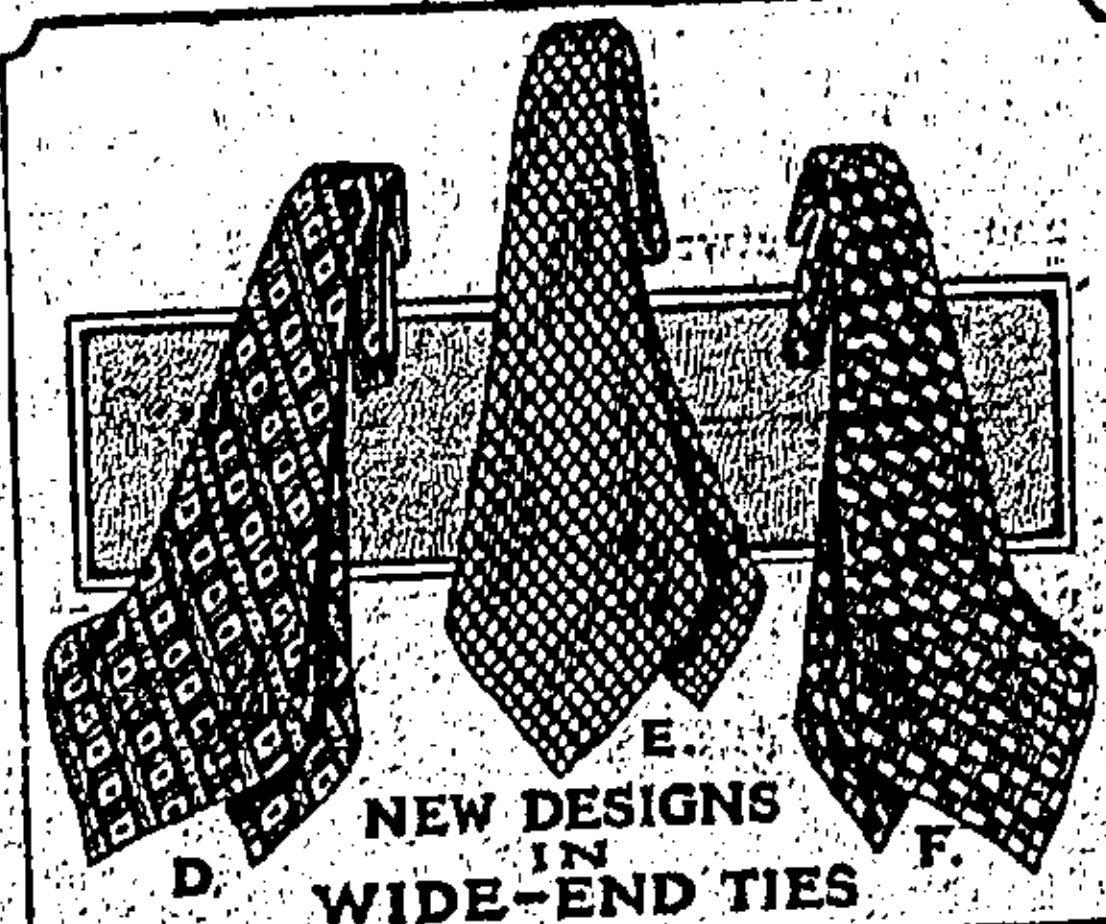
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Competing boats should be in position at the starting line by 3.30 p.m.

Ships proposing to enter boats are requested to notify the Hon. Secretary, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, not later than noon, on the 7th November.

R. J. VERNALL,
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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1927.

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The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform, half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5.00 each up to Friday, 4th November, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.00. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during Race Meeting.

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All broken, chipped and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th November will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong November 4, 1927.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 5th to 11th November, 1927.

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OUR DEMOCRATIC ROYALTY.

MR. J. L. GARVIN AND THE MONARCHY.

London, Oct. 16.

Mr. J. L. Garvin, in an article in the Observer to-day, urges that a brilliant writer should specialise upon the wonderful story of the unshaken survival and strengthening of the British Monarchy while other famous sovereigns have disappeared or have fallen into the custody of dictators.

He sketches Royalty's declining popularity since King George III, resulting in it being widely whispered forty years ago that if Edward reigned he would be the last King. The aged Queen Victoria's reappearance at her Jubilee suddenly made her both a legend and an idol.

King Edward succeeded at a moment of national and imperial danger. His patriotic instinct foresaw the coming storm resulting in his support for the reorganisation of the army and the navy, while his Continental visits dispelled fears of Anglophobia.

Prompted by sagacity, King Edward also began to make kingship more intimate and a more widely popular social institution.

Monarchical Idea.

The ultimate result has been to create one of the wisest and most genuinely humane and sympathetic achievements. The monarchical idea now is absolutely democratic, representing nothing which can divide the nation but everything which unites it.

The incomparable instinct to harmonise with the changing national conditions reached its smoothest working under King George V. The Empire is now stronger than ever.

The Royal family are devoting themselves to the services of democracy, aided by the ideal of Empire and united by freedom, thereby completing the evolution of the social monarchy.

The King and the Prince of Wales are indefatigable in supporting social movements. The Queen and the Duchess of York similarly assist women's non-party movements.

Whatever else may be the results of the extension of women's franchise it will further strengthen the Crown which is already an unchallenged miracle of historic vitality.

OUT-OF-DATE BIBLE STORIES!

VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED BY BISHOP GORE.

Bishop Gore, in a remarkable sermon delivered recently in Grosvenor Chapel, Mayfair, spoke of the credibility of some of the Old Testament stories, and quoted Tolstoy's saying that "the Jews are masters of story telling."

"We are nourishing a vain hope if we suppose that the early chapters of Genesis or the stories about Daniel and Enoch are ever going to be accepted as history."

"They have none of the characteristics of history as real science has learned to detect them, and it is no good kicking against facts. We will merely delay the necessary adjustment of Christianity to the new world of ideas by going on murmuring and perplexing the minds of our children, instead of being perfectly frank with our own minds and with others."

Indisputable Verdicts.

"When we make that heroic resolution we shall find that, if we lose something, we shall have gained more."

"The Old Testament will become not a less profitable, but a more profitable thing, when we admit that, by its nature, it is imperfect and contains a vast deal of barbarism."

"It is no good playing the Canute. You must have the courage frankly to accept the indisputable verdicts of historical science."

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FIFTEEN MONTHS FOR CRAWLEY.

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spoils of their crimes and ask for the leniency of the Court. If the Court does not impose a substantial sentence in cases of this kind, that action would be held up to public scorn.

"At the same time I propose to take into consideration the fact that the complainants have received part of the money taken from them. The defendant must suffer certain agony as punishment for his crime, and also the Court must take into consideration the fact that the conviction or the imposition of sentence has to be an example to some extent at least to those who may be inclined in the same direction. My purpose after the trial was concluded, and I found the defendant guilty, was to impose a long sentence, as I would be permitted under the law to impose. The fact that he has restored the money to the complainant materially has changed my idea as to the punishment which should be meted out to him."

His Honour ordered Crawley to stand up for sentence, and imposed a penalty of 15 months' imprisonment, as stated.

YANGTZE PIRACY.

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evident that foreigners proceeding to points above Ichang, or even to the latter place, are at present exposed to grave personal risks, fully justifying the attitude taken up by the British Consular authorities.

Full details of the I-Ping piracy are expected to reach the Canadian Mission at any moment now, and it is hoped they will be made available for the information of the public.—N. C. Daily News.

ARMED ROBBERIES AT WONGNEICHONG.

WIDOW'S SHOP RANSACKED.

A Chinese widow, the proprietress of the Yee Lok Yuen Confectionery shop, of Pung Fai Terrace, Village Road, Wongneichong, has made a report to the police to the effect that at about 11.15 last night, three men, one armed with a knife, entered her shop. They bound and blindfolded her and then stole money from a till amounting to \$33.

The men remained in the shop for about half an hour. The woman managed to free herself ten minutes after they had left and went at once to the telephone to notify the police. This she was unable to do, as the telephone wires had been cut by the thieves. She made the report later.

SEAMEN CALLED OUT.

BUT REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE

A celebration to welcome Mr. Wang Ching-wei and the victorious Southerners from Swatow was staged yesterday at Canton, when all labour unions were represented.

An effort was made by the Seamen's Union to hold up all river vessels by calling out the crews to participate, but the men generally refused to comply with the Union's order.

A compromise was eventually reached, and two men from each department of the several ships involved stayed behind as representatives and will rejoin their vessels on the next trip.

TAKING NO RISKS.

JUNK MASTER FIRES AT VISITOR.

A steersman of a Hoklo trading junk, was yesterday admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, having been wounded on the previous day by the master of trading junk No. 1099, who fired a Winchester rifle at him.

According to a report made to the police, the master of junk No. 1099, having heard of a number of recent piracies in which the pirates concerned were mostly Hoklo people, took flight when the other junk sailed towards it when they were off Tonkin at 4.30 p.m. on October 2, and fired at the Hoklo boat.

The wounded man, fortunately is only suffering from slight injuries.

Fifteen people spent the whole of the night in the gallery queue for the opening performance of Oh Kay! at His Majesty's Theatre. They were provided with breakfast, consisting of coffee and rolls, by the management.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

XMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

Xmas Letter Mail via Marseilles for Great Britain will be closed in the G.P.O. at 9.30 a.m. the 19th inst. per s.s. "Suva Maru". This mail is due in London on the 20th December.

NOTICE.
Xmas and New Year Parcel Mails for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office at 5 p.m. the 10th November per s.s. "Macedonia". This mail is due in London on the 15th December.

The parcels post service to Russia in Asia via Japan is temporarily suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Parcels post service between Hongkong and Ports of the Yangtze West of Hankow is temporarily suspended.

Parcels for places in Szechwan will now be accepted for transmission to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superimposed.

RADIO NOTICES.

Radio Telegraph Services are now in operation between Hongkong and the following places:—

Philippine Islands, French Indo-China, Province of Yunnan, Canton, Wuchow, Kowloon, Hoihow, Macao, Kwongchow, Fort Bayard and Amoy.

Rates and further particulars on application to the Radio Counter, 1st Floor, General Post Office Building.

Swatow Service restored.

It is notified for information that Feather Fans and Brooches cannot be sent by post to Great Britain. They are prohibited by the Plumage (Prohibition) Act of 1921.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE.

ROPE ACROSS THE ROAD.

CAR HELD UP AND WOMAN MURDERED.

A verdict of murder against some person or persons unknown was returned by the Singapore coroner, Lieut.-Col. Hope-Falkner, last week, in the case of a Chinese, today's wife who was stabbed in a Serangoon plantation while returning to her home in a car on the night of September 28 last.

A rope had been drawn across the road in front of the car, and several persons rushed up and stabbed the deceased.

Replying to the coroner, the driver of the car, a relative of the deceased, stated that on seeing the rope he pulled up.

The coroner: Why did you pull up? Did it not occur to you that something was amiss? Your car could have snapped a stouter rope than that.

The witness stated that he did not expect trouble on his relative's plantation.

PACKED WITH OPIUM.

SEIZURE OF DOUBLE-SIDED TRUNKS.

Two cane trunks of Chinese pattern, the property of a deck passenger, attracted the attention of a revenue officer who boarded the Ang Tung on that vessel's arrival at Singapore from a China port last week.

He expressed a desire to examine them. "Certainly," readily assented the owner, and added the information that they had just been examined by another revenue officer.

Despite the assurance, the revenue man proceeded to open the trunks. In the first there was nothing but clothes, and a few personal belongings.

The experienced revenue man opened the second trunk. Absolutely empty! His suspicions revived a thousandfold, he proceeded to lift it.

It was heavy, much too heavy. A careful tapping of the sides disclosed the cause. They were packed with opium. A re-examination of the first trunk showed it had been similarly treated.

The sequel, however, the District Judge, Mr. S. J. Mudie, was a fine of \$1,000, with an alternative of three months' rigorous imprisonment.

MALAYA GOVERNOR'S NEW YACHT.

COMMANDER FORMERLY ON CHINA STATION.

In keeping with the policy of choosing the European officers for H.E. the Governor's new yacht, Seabelle II, from men who are acclimatised to Eastern conditions and have had experience of these waters, the selection of Seabelle II's master has materialised in Commander D. T. B. Nolley, R.N. (retired), of the F.M.S. Customs, says the Straits Times.

Commander Nolley's 17 years' naval service includes five on the China Station and three in the West Indies.

His experience of local waters and harbours has been gained during his service for some months after his arrival two years ago, as commander of a Preventive Service launch. He acted as Harbour Master, Selangor, before joining the F.M.S. Customs. He is 42 years of age.

A copy of the film, "Chang" and a set of the sound records of animals used with it have been offered to the Trustees of the British Museum, to be placed in a cabinet and deposited in the vaults, with instructions that it is not to be opened for 50 years.

RETURNED STUDENTS.

NANKING HAS A NEW SCHEME.

An interesting scheme has been proposed by the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang in Nanking whereby a Bureau is to be established for the registration of returned students and specialists in their respective lines in order that their services might be made use of.

According to this, "wire pulling" and "friend pidgin" shall be done away with and no official shall be permitted to appoint his own friends or relatives to positions in the Government. At the present time, it is said, officials who attain high positions generally offer good posts to those to whom they may be friendly disposed, whether they may be efficient and able to hold these positions or not.

Many worthy ones are thus barred from securing work when, as a matter of fact, their services could be used to advantage. Many who specialise in various subjects are not given a chance to prove their ability upon their return home, and are forced to accept minor positions to which they are ill suited.

The Government now is desirous of adjusting this and of preventing continual changes which result when some high official is relieved of his post and another appointed to his place.

The Government furthermore is desirous of preventing worthy young men from becoming counter-revolutionaries, loafers, and menaces to society, on whom they are compelled to depend. It also is desirous of preventing their being taken advantage of and used by the Bolsheviks. Therefore, it is proposed to make use of what they have learned.

In accordance with the principles of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, a system of examinations will be instituted, and those found fit will be given positions at once. Prior to these examinations, it is proposed to establish a temporary bureau to care for those without positions and to make use of their services until such a time as they have passed their examinations.

STEAMER SEIZED AT MANILA.

CLAIM BY CHINESE BANK.

Upon the petition of Mr. E. E. Wing, manager of the China Banking Corporation, the interests and steamer San Nicolas, owned by Cirilo Ching Tuo Chua Unlai, Manila, was placed in the hands of the sheriff of Manila last Saturday by order of Judge Analecte Diaz, of the sixth branch of the court of first instance.

Mr. Wing asks the court to sell the boat at public auction to satisfy a recent judgment for P800 44,480.96 in favour of the bank. In an affidavit filed with the court, the bank manager alleges that the owner is detaining the possession of the steamer to prevent the sheriff from selling it.

DOLLAR LINES.

A REVISED SCHEDULE.

The local Dollar Line agents announce that with the sailing of the President Hayes from Hongkong on November 8, a revised schedule for round-the-world vessels will come into force.

Hitherto these ships have sailed from Marseilles direct to Boston and from Boston thence to New York. The port of arrival in the U.S. has now been altered to New York, with a later call at Boston, the vessels returning to New York in preparation for the next trip.

The President Hayes is due to sail from Marseilles on December 14 and will arrive at New York on December 27.

"PAYING THE CHINESE ARMY."

COUNTERFEITER SENTENCED AT SINGAPORE.

The sequel to the discovery in Singapore of a large quantity of materials for the purpose of manufacturing counterfeit currency notes and various labels, was heard last week when a Chinese, who was arrested in connexion with the discovery, was sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment at the Singapore Assizes.

The discovery was made by Inspector D. W. Dale in a house in Cross Street and the materials seized included apparatus for engraving, with several plates of the Bank of China and South Sea Bank notes in the process of making and Government Monopolies opium labels.

Mr. R. L. L. Braddell appeared for the accused who pleaded guilty and asked for leniency. He pointed out that the notes had not been completed. The dies had been transferred to prepared pieces of metal, but they had not been through the necessary paths to complete the process. The accused, continued Mr. Braddell, said he was asked by a man who stated that he was treasurer for the Hokien Province in China, to make the notes. Whether they were to be used to pay part of the Chinese army, he (Mr. Braddell) did not know.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, remarked that the accused was a very dangerous man. It was, however, his first offence and he would be sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment.

His Lordship agreed to Mr. Braddell's request that the camera and other instruments used for legitimate engraving might be handed over to the accused's wife.

NANKING ECHO AT MANILA.

AMERICAN NAVAL MEN DECORATED.

"For fearless devotion to duty as signalmen, although constantly exposed to the rifle fire of Chinese soldiers," Charles W. Horn, Dennis D. Taylor, Henry O. Warren and John D. Wilson, enlisted men on duty with the Asiatic fleet, each received the Navy Cross on Monday on board the U. S. S. Black Hawk, at Manila.

During the serious trouble at Nanking, in the latter part of March, these men were on duty as signalmen in maintaining communications between the American consulate at Nanking and the naval vessels anchored in the harbour. While performing this duty, they were constantly exposed to rifle fire of Chinese soldiers but they remained on their posts during the three days, when the fire was heaviest.

On June 20 the signalmen were given citations by the navy department, and on Monday on board the U. S. S. Black Hawk, destroyer tender, they were each presented with the Navy Cross by Captain C. A. Blakey, the destroyer squadron commander, at the direction of the president of the United States.

Two of the men, Dennis Taylor and Henry O. Warren are on duty aboard the U. S. S. Preston, of the 4th Destroyer Division, while Horn and Wilson are from the Horn, of the same division. Both vessels were stationed at Nanking during the March trouble, and these four men, who are expert signalmen were given the dangerous job of keeping uninterrupted communication between their ships and the consulate. They were on this duty from the morning of March 21 until the 24.

Mrs. Rose Bryce, an Englishwoman, has been arrested at Nice for disobeying an expulsion order made against her by the Prefect of the Department on account of several convictions for driving a car at excessive speed.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended November 3rd, 1906.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2/3 7/16d.

The Attorney General, Sir Henry Berkeley, K. C., bade farewell to the Bench on his retiring into private life.

The death was announced of Mr. Charles F. Focken, Superintendent Engineer of the Norddeutscher Lloyd in Hongkong.

Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz was appointed Attorney General, in succession to Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., retired.

An Arts and Crafts Exhibition was opened in the City Hall by H. E. the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan.

Mr. L. N. Lee was married at Shanghai to Gladys Violet, youngest daughter of the late Frederick Hayley Bell.

The Silver Jubilee of the laying of the foundation stone of St. Joseph's College took place.

NEW CATHEDRAL CHAPLAIN.

EXPECTED HERE IN JANUARY.

It is reported in the current issue of Cathedral Notes that the new Cathedral Chaplain, the Rev. Alfred Swann is due here in January. Mr. Swann is married and has two children. It is hoped that Mr. Swann will bring with him two assistant chaplains, but so far they have not been secured.

The Rev. Alfred Swann, who has been vicar of Liversedge, York, since 1924, was educated at Rugby and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated in 1915. He read medicine for three years. During the War he joined the Navy and, after serving as an A. B. for a year, was for three years an officer, and received the D.S.C. for his part in the Zebrugga raid. After the War he was at Westcott House, Cambridge, for his ordination, and before going to Liversedge was a curate at Kirkstun, near Huddersfield. At Cambridge he was President of the University Boat Club and won a half-blue for running. His wife is a daughter of Bishop Abraham, until recently Suffragan Bishop of Derby, and a niece of the present Bishops of St. Albans and Kensington.

THE MANILA CARNIVAL.

NEW PROJECT TURNED DOWN.

The plan of the People's Carnival to hold the 1928 carnival in Fort San Antonio de Abad struck a snag last Saturday, when Mr. A. D. Williams, director of public works, refused to endorse favourably its application for the use of the government grounds. The matter will be taken up to-day with the governor's office by Mr. Nicasio Osmena, organizer of the carnival.

Mr. Williams told Mr. Osmena that it would be a bad precedent to permit the People's Carnival to use the Fort San Antonio de Abad, as it is purely a private commercial venture.

It was announced by Mr. Jorge B. Vargas, director of lands, that the application of Mr. Osmena and Mr. William Anderson would be disapproved if the public works director endorsed it unfavourably.

It is hinted in commercial circles that officials of the Philippine Carnival Association are opposing the lease to the people's carnival of any government ground, for fear that it would be successful and unexpectedly kill the carnival association.

FLOOD SIREN SOUNDED.

HEAVY RAINS THREATEN KUALA LUMPUR.

Kuala Lumpur, Oct. 28. With the approach of the end of the year and bearing in mind the tremendous havoc wrought last year all thoughts are turned to floods.

Within the past three days the flood siren has been sounded on two occasions.

Heavy rain on Wednesday caused the river to flood to a dangerous height and again last night a thunderstorm came down and the ominous warning was again sounded.

Fortunately the rain ceased before the water overflowed the banks of the river.

The Gombak river is dangerously swollen this morning, the water being slightly below Holland Road. Most of the low-lying parts of the town are inundated, notably Kampong Bahru, Yap Guan Seng Road and Brickfields.

Bright sunshine now prevails and it is hoped the river will subside.

CHINESE ON \$10,000 BAIL.

BANKRUPTCY SEQUEL.

Ipoh, Oct. 28. Chua Theam Poh, managing partner of Messrs. Chua and Company, the Ipoh share brokers, who figured in a recent claim by Singapore brokers, was produced to-day before Mr. Justice Thorne on a warrant issued at the instance of the secretary of Malayan Tin Dredging.

The case was heard in chambers under the Bankruptcy Enactment.

Accused was allowed bail of \$10,000 on the application by Mr. E. C. Watson on his behalf.

Chua's business closed its doors a few weeks ago.



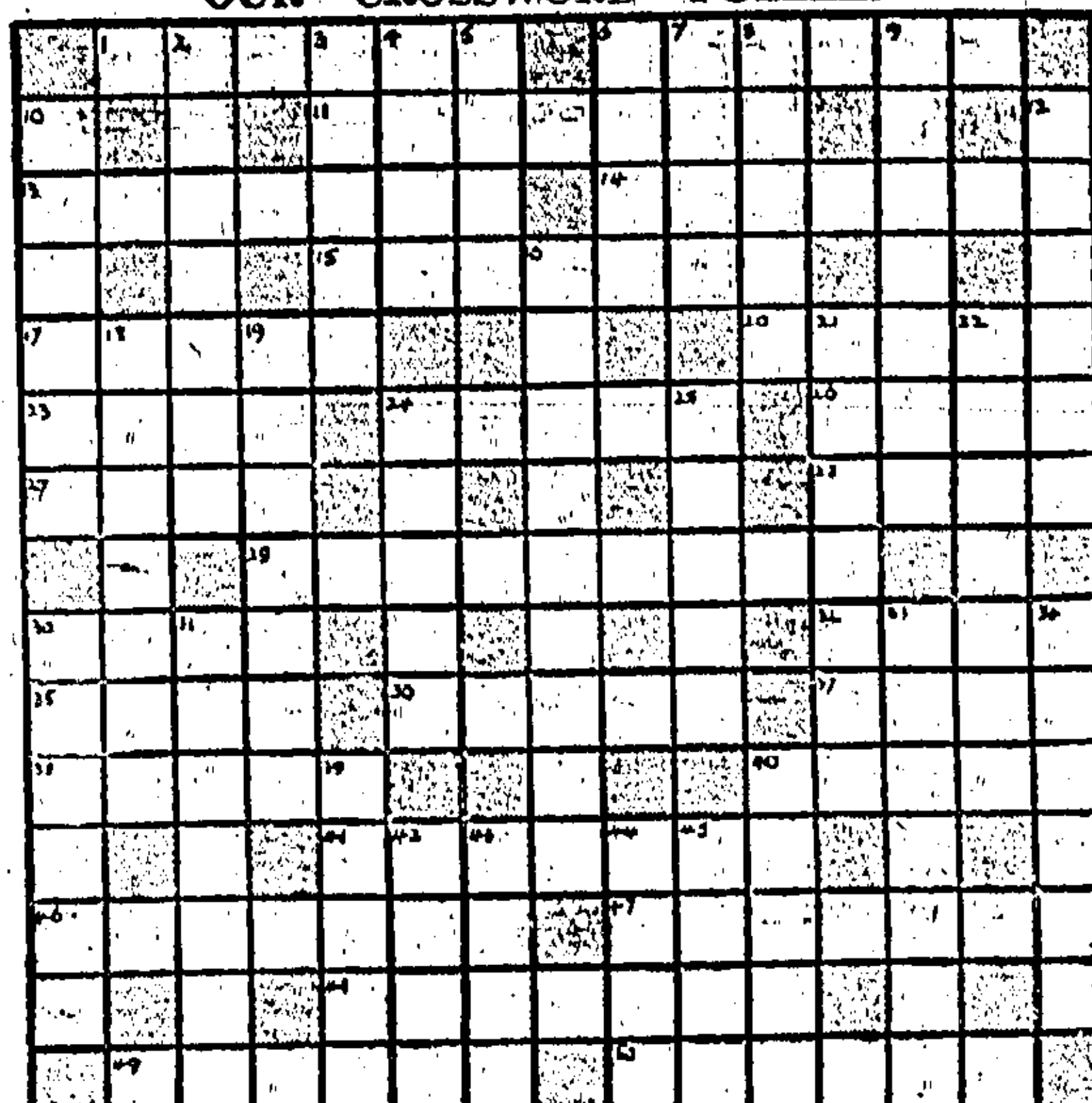
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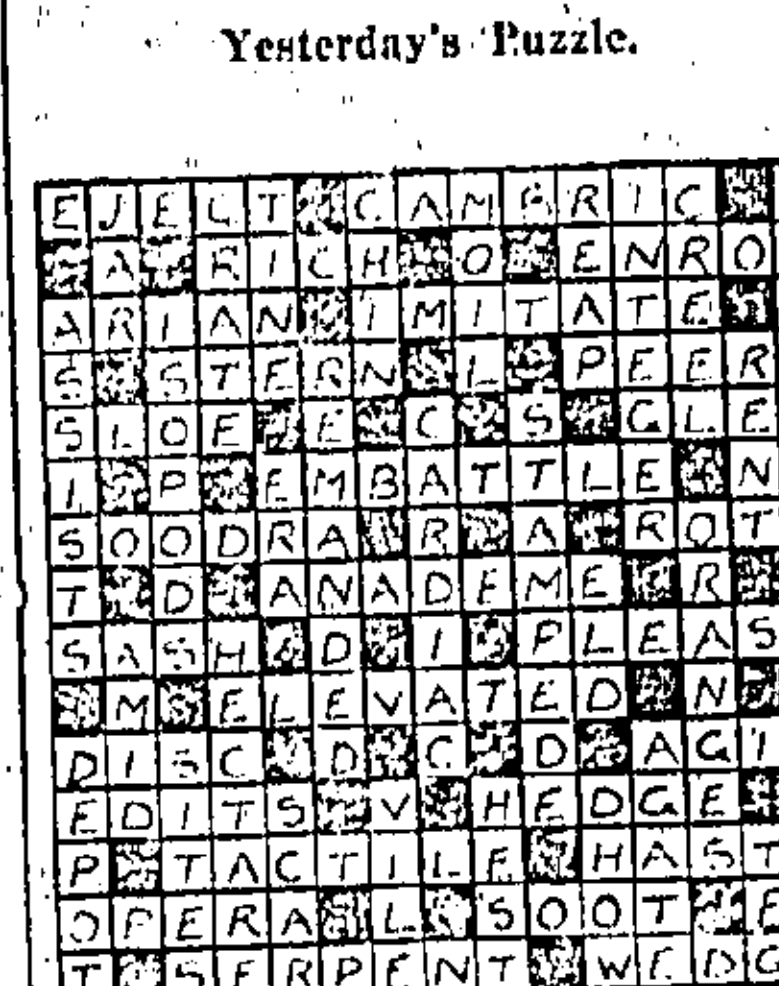
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 - Belief.
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 - Spikes of corn.
 - Freed from water.
 - Wickedness.
 - Stop.
 - Obtains.
 - Full of vigour.
 - Present.
 - Fish (Plur.).
 - By itself.
 - Trach.
 - Remain.
 - Kind of heron.
 - Ex-rulers.
 - Fancy dish.
 - Produces reaction.
 - Build up again.
 - Nearly suffocates.
 - Inspector.
 - Before this time.
- Down.
- Rags.
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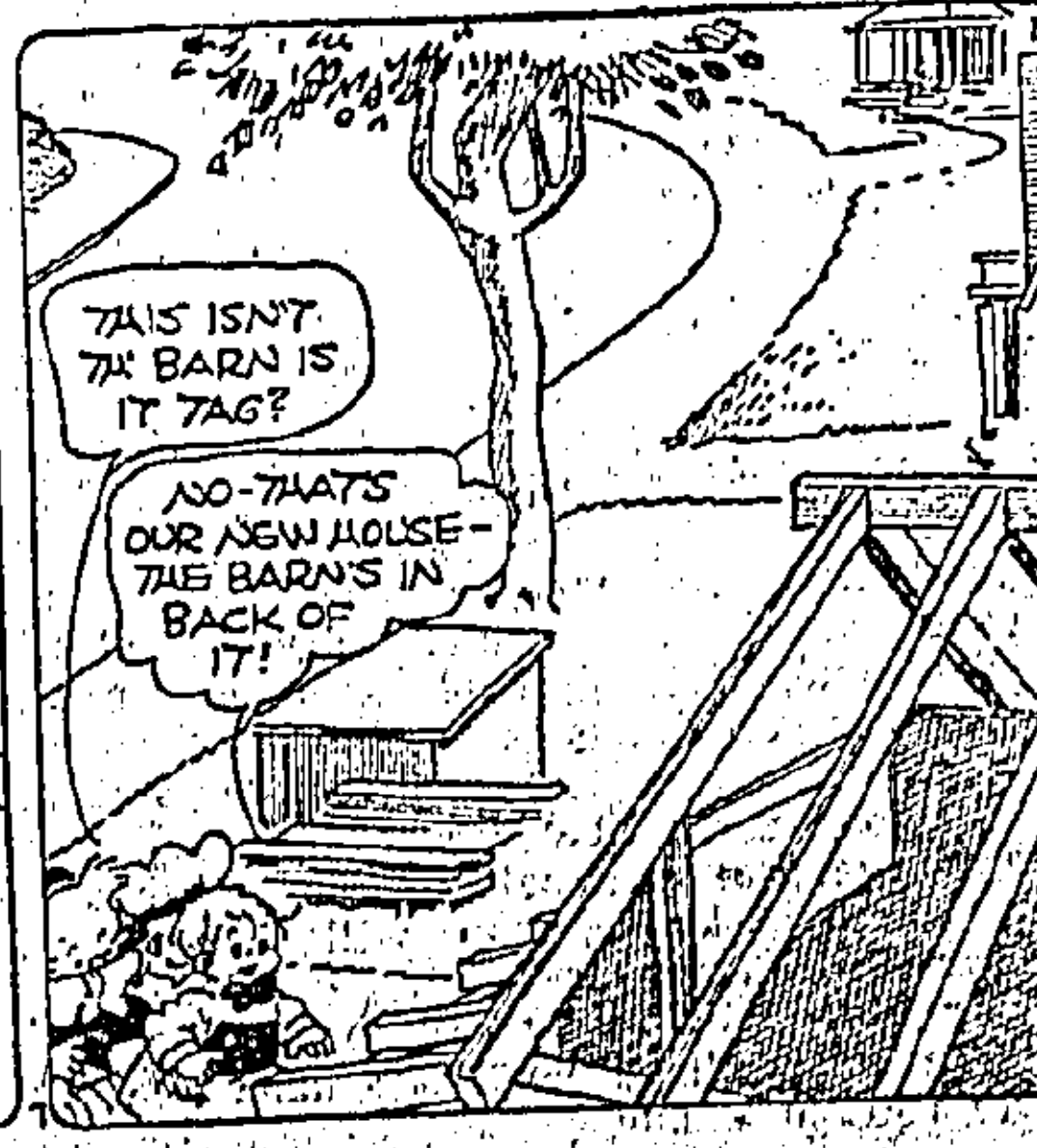
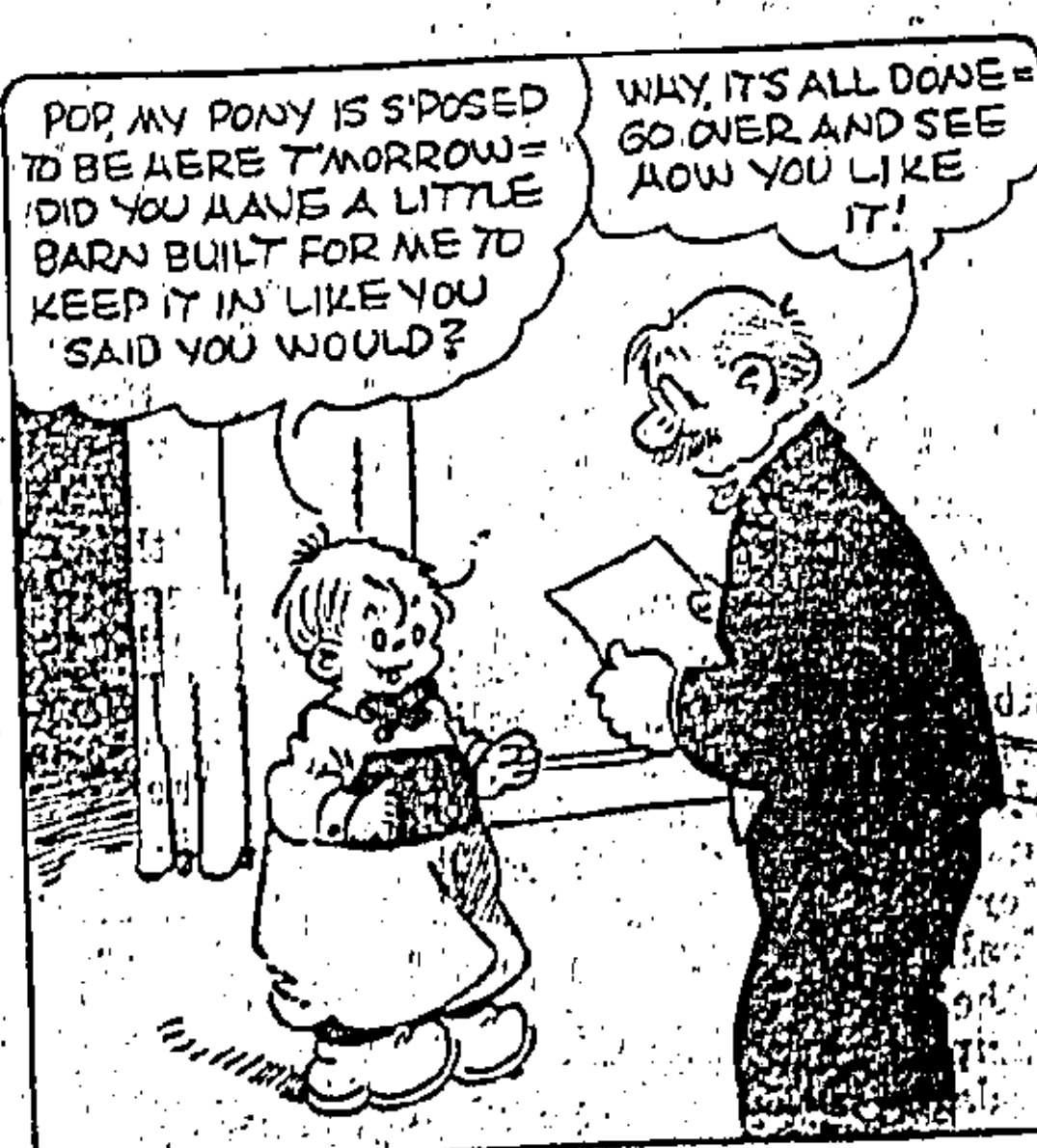
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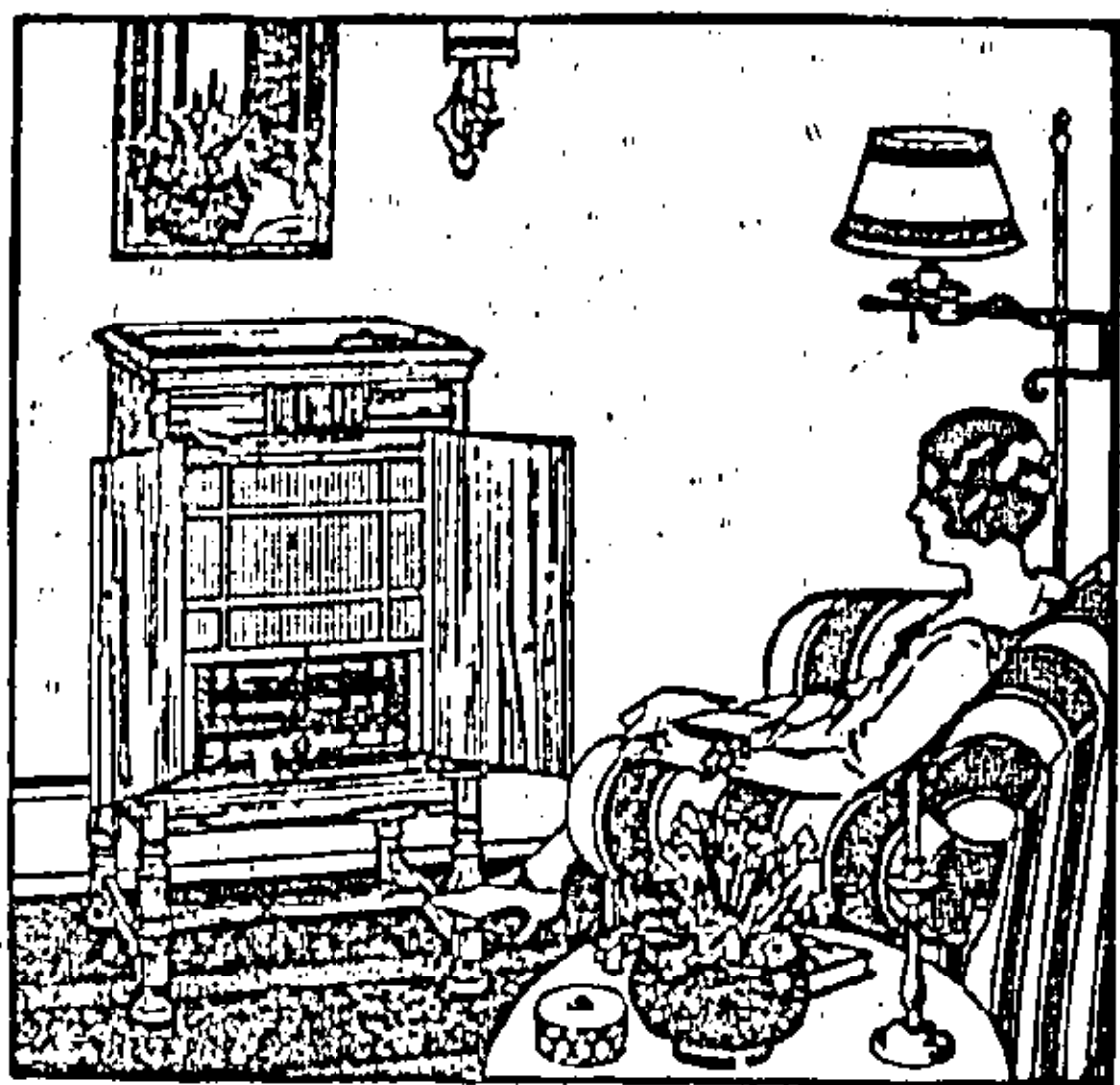
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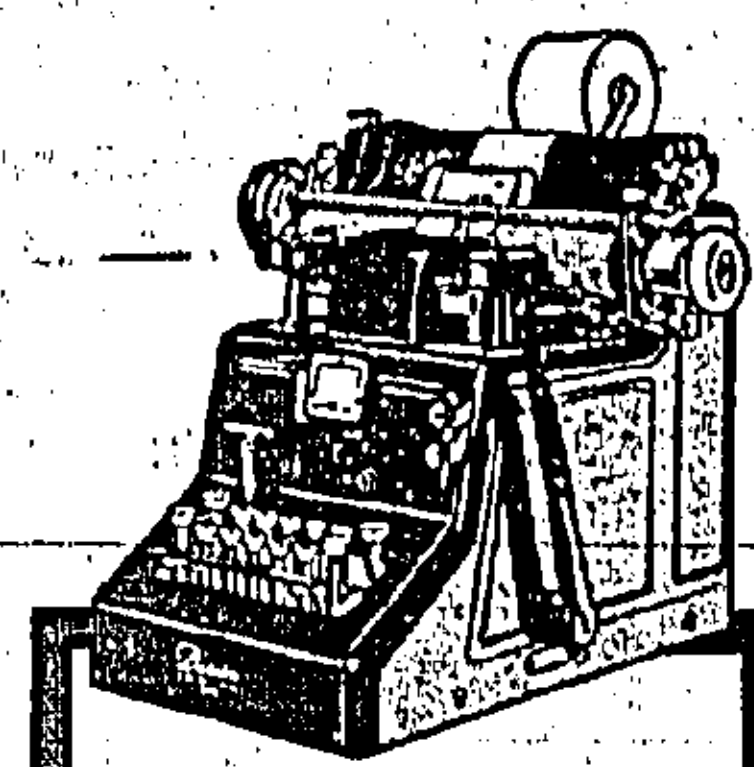
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1927.

CANTON'S CHANCE.

If, as a Canton correspondent reported to us yesterday, it is the firm intention of General Li Chai-sum, to send an expedition to Hankow to help in the fight against General Tang Seng-chi we think that the Canton military leader is making a mistake. One can readily understand General Li's desire to be openly on the side of Nanking and that he sees in this proposed expedition a fine gesture of friendliness towards that administration, but we cannot resist doubting the wisdom of once again impoverishing the Province of Kwangtung in both men and money for the sake either of military gain or for grandiose political schemes, which have no good results for anybody. It would seem as though Canton was once again becoming the home of many of the leading Nationalist politicians, and that those who have so far arrived are going to work fairly harmoniously. To all outward appearances, Generals Li Chai-sum and Chang Fat-kwai have composed whatever differences they might have had, and the return of such men as Wang Ching-wei and T. V. Soong has not been accompanied by any serious display of "extremism" in spite of the fact that Wang was at one time among the most advanced men of the party. It is said that Wang has confessed the error of past ways in this regard and that he is now willing to work with the "moderates" for the benefit of the Kuomintang and the Nationalist Party. If it were possible for such men as are now gathered in Canton to sink all differences and to work together wholeheartedly for the benefit of South China, and, at the same time, eschew anything in the nature of military expeditions northwards, then one could with certitude look forward to a spell of prosperity for this much harassed part of China.

We have often urged the desirability of Canton putting its own house and province in order before essaying the really tremendous task of trying to govern China, and we are still convinced that the Nationalists of Canton did themselves and their cause much harm by undertaking the ill-fated Northern Expedition. A great task lies to hand here in the South and a wonderful opportunity offers itself to those now in power at Canton to demonstrate

that they have the capacity to inaugurate and maintain an administration that will confer security and protection to the millions of poor Chinese in Kwangtung and Kwangsi who are awaiting its coming. No one can have read the writings from

Kwangsi of our correspondent "H.L.C." without realising that it is the innocent people of the towns and villages—the thousands of Chinese who are always struggling on the border line of poverty—who suffer most through lack of proper administration. They care nothing for the strappings of the military and political puppets of the hour; they only desire freedom from molestation and a fair chance to live quietly raising crops and pigs and doing all those other things necessary to an agricultural community. Give them fair instead of ruinous taxation, good roads, social institutions and the like and South China could easily become a glorious model for the rest of the country—a demonstration of the benefits of true Nationalism. If those at Canton would only take on that task seriously, nor brook any interference, neither succumb to temptations to go outside the scope of that endeavour until it were a *fait accompli*, they would not only earn high distinction but would attract unto themselves the best of those both Chinese and foreign, who one day hope for better things than are now to be found.

The Decline of Steam.

It is interesting to observe, from an article which we reprinted yesterday, how the informed opinion of the world is inclining to the view that the day of the steamship is passing. The latest advocate of that view is Mr. Archibald Hurd, who no doubt has the Navy in mind as he formulates his arguments. Undoubtedly the increase in the use of motor-driven vessels on the high seas is traceable to the growing inclination towards cleanliness and, where possible, economy. The fact that motor fuel oil is actually likely to be cheaper, unless the producers are able to regulate the supplies on the market, while coal is considerably dearer than a few years ago, and may be actually scarce in time to come, carries much weight in the setting up of argument on this topic. The average layman has, perforce, to form his opinion on the statements by apparent experts, and it is evident that the majority of those who ought to know favour the motor-driven vessel as against the steamship burning coal. Yet there are many engineers of the old school who, after trying motor engines, back the good old reciprocating steam-driven machinery for reliability. There, indeed, appears to lie the principal claim of steam over motors. But as the years go by, further improvements are effected in motor engines, and their reliability is increased. The tendency is therefore for one type to become more expensive, while the other increases its attractions. The conclusion is that the latter will eventually oust the former. The day may well be coming when steamships will only be found plying here and there in coastal and such-like work, and their incidence will be as rare as that of sailing vessels of the present day. The process seems inevitable, though it will be many a long year before the sturdy steam-driven vessel is driven off the principal sea lanes.

FOOTBALL FORECAST COMPETITION.

RESULT OF LAST WEEK'S EFFORT.

The result of the football competition held last week is that the prize of \$25 has been won by

E. A. Dart,
H.M. Hospital Ship "Maine",

who sent in one coupon containing ten correct forecasts out of the twelve given on the coupon.

There was a very large entry, and quite a number of competitors sent in claims for nine correct forecasts, there being also a number of claims in respect of eight. Most of the matches on the coupon resulted in accordance with general anticipation.

This week's coupon will be found elsewhere in this issue. If Mr. Dart will kindly call at this office we shall be pleased to hand him his prize money.

DAY BY DAY.

SPEECH IS A FACULTY GIVEN TO MAN TO CONCEAL HIS THOUGHTS.—Talleyrand.

The B. L. s.s. Talma is due here from Singapore on Tuesday morning.

The P. and O. s.s. Lahore will arrive here from Shanghai on Sunday evening.

There was one case of enteric fever and one of paratyphoid fever, both Chinese, reported yesterday.

Admitted to the Government Civil Hospital at 4 p.m. yesterday, a Chinese boy aged 14, died shortly afterwards. It appears that the youth fell from the roof of No. 207 Des Voeux Road into the street and sustained severe injuries.

A notice to mariners from Pakhoi dated October 28 states that a spherical buoy, painted red, has been found in the harbour and is now in the hands of the Customs. Delivery will be made to the losers on payment of a suitable reward to the salvors, the crew of a junk.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Soochow, Seistan, President Jefferson, Lahore, Hessen, Tjikembang, Tonkin, Proteus, Van Huys, Dell Maru, Times Maru, Tintow, Anhui, Kumsang, Somersetshire, Dampier and Tjilewong.

A Chinese was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from a stab wound in his stomach. It is alleged that he was stabbed by a coolie during a scuffle which took place at No. 21 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. His assailant is now under arrest.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave a poor return in the matter of cargoes, with tonnage also below the average. There was only one four-figure cargo inward and only two through freights above 1,000 tons. Of 14 arrivals and 18 departures, British registered six and five, leaving 58 vessels in harbour, of which 24 were British.

The Royal Observatory reports that a belt of high pressure extends from N. China to the E. of Japan. Depressions or typhoons are forming to the S.E. of the Loochoos, and to the E. of the Visayas. Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China, and over the China Sea. The local forecast is: N. winds, moderate; fine.

The formation of a Diocesan Library is under consideration, and a Committee of three, consisting of Revs. N. V. Halward, G. T. Waldergrave and A. D. Stewart, have drawn up a report on the subject. It is suggested that a subscription of \$5 per annum be charged. The idea is to have chiefly, but not solely, theological books. Gifts of books to help to start the Library would be welcome.—*Cathedral Notes*.

Sunday, November 20th, is being observed throughout the diocese as V. D. A. Sunday, says *Cathedral Notes*. The collections in the Cathedral will be given to the Victoria Diocesan Association. At 3 o'clock there will be a bilingual service in English and Chinese, when it is particularly hoped that English people who are not accustomed to Chinese services will be present in large numbers to join with their Chinese fellow Christians in the public worship of the One Father. At 10 a.m. there will be a Children's Service, when children are asked to bring toys which will afterwards be sent to the Home and Orphanages in the diocese for Christmas. Either old or new toys will be acceptable.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY ON THE PEAK.

EUROPEAN LADY MOLESTED.

According to a police report an attempt was made to rob Mrs. T. G. Weall, wife of Mr. T. G. Weall, of Dodwell and Company, residing at No. 301, The Peak.

At about 7.45 last night, Mrs. Weall was walking alone near the Peak Club when two Chinese approached her. One of the men then threw a handful of sand into her eyes, whilst his accomplice threw Mrs. Weall to the ground.

An attempt was made to steal the handbag which Mrs. Weall was carrying, but the men took to their heels and disappeared down Plantation Road when Mrs. Weall shouted for help.

Mrs. Weall was unable, in her report to the police, to give a detailed description of her attackers, due to the darkness at the time of the attack.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE CONCERT.

A VERY ENJOYABLE PROGRAMME.

A very successful concert and dancing display was given at Government House yesterday evening, in aid of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, and the ballroom, where the entertainment was held, was almost filled by a large gathering, who thoroughly enjoyed the varied programme. The function was held at Government House by kind permission of H. E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, and it was principally due to the efforts of Mrs. Southern that the entertainment was organised.

The first part of the programme was entirely musical, and the second part comprised a number of dances by the clever pupils of Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

The entertainment opened with a pianoforte solo by Mrs. R. Pestonji, an accomplished pianist who has already assisted at several local concerts. She chose the Grand Valse de Concert of Joseph Wieniawski, a piece requiring skilled execution, her rendering being greatly appreciated and calling forth unstinted applause. We are sure local music-lovers would like to hear more of this lady's repertoire.

Mr. H. E. Gardner, one of the Colony's favourite vocalists, was deservedly applauded for his fine rendering of two tenor solos, "I pitch my lonely caravan at night" and "Love is mine." The former was particularly popular with the audience.

In a solo which followed, "Pierette," Mrs. M. Minney, another very popular local singer, was especially pleasing, and as an encore she gave "Love is a merchant." Her voice is a rich soprano, and a pleasure to listen to.

Two fine old English songs by Surg.-Lieut. W. H. Bradfield, R.N., who is the possessor of a delightful baritone voice, concluded the items, and his audience would have liked more. The items he gave were "Edward German's beautiful 'Love the Pedlar,'" and "Steppin' down along the road."

In his ever-popular "Charge of the Light Brigade," in six spasms, Mr. G. W. C. Burnett was in fine form, and had the gathering convulsed. He gave a humorous stump oration as an encore.

The Dancing.

Miss O'Keefe's pupils followed in a series of excellent dances, reflecting much credit on their teacher, the movements being perfect and the motif in the more ambitious interpretations very pleasing.

The first number was a Highland sword dance, to bagpipe accompaniment, by Miss Lorna Tolan, who received the plaudits of the gathering for her fine exhibition.

Two young performers came next with a jazz dance, in which they captivated the onlookers by their perfect timing and grace. These were the Misses Dorothy Tolan and Betty Pestonji, both of whom have been seen on the stage previously in clever dance items.

Miss Marian Bryson was most assured in an Irish jig, which she danced with characteristic interpretation; and a Pas de deux by Misses Billy and Nellie Field was another excellent item.

A special word all to themselves is due to the little Misses Anne Cooke and Doreen Hynes for their delightful Gavotte, which, despite their tender years, they carried through with a stately grace almost unexpected in such young dancers.

In a hornpipe, little Billy Mayes, Margery Simpson, and Ethel Minney made delightful sailor lads in miniature, and they accomplished their steps with excellent precision.

A pretty quartette dance followed, in which Betty Pestonji, Betty Spalding, Norma May, and Dorothy Tolan participated, their toe dancing being very cleverly executed.

The final item was a most pleasing classical dance—an interpretation of Chopin's waltz by the Misses Marian Bryson, Bella Pestonji, and Lorna Tolan. The accompanists were Mrs. R. Pestonji, Mrs. J. R. Suiter, and Mr. Dick D'Almada. At the conclusion, Mrs. Southern expressed thanks for the contributions by all the artists, both grown-ups and children, as well as to all those who had helped, specially mentioning Miss O'Keefe, Mr. R. Sutherland, Mr. Harmon, and Mr. Burnett. Their efforts on behalf of the H.K.W.G. and M.C.L., she said, were greatly appreciated.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who is now in Shanghai, will leave that city to-day for Hongkong and it is expected that he will arrive here on Sunday.

The Very Idea!

Amateur: What will it cost me to have my car fixed?
Garage Expert: What's the matter with it?
Amateur: Haven't the least idea.
Garage Expert: Fifteen pounds eleven and six.

Rt. Rev. L. Ralph Sherman, Anglican Bishop of Calgary, tells the following story: "An English bishop was trying to instil into his son the meaning of courage. He said courage does not necessarily consist of doing a brave deed on a battlefield. Supposing you go to Eton and have to undress and go to bed along with six other boys who do not say their prayers and kneel down and say your prayers, that would be a courageous act! The boy responded, 'I'll tell you what I think would show courage. Supposing you went up to London and went to bed along with six other bishops and did not say your prayers, that would take courage.'"

Irish wife of an Englishman at Bow County Court: I am not quite English.

Magistrate at Willesden: This is the first time I have heard that a septic thumb prevents a man from walking to court.

Barrister, to an evasive man at Bow County Court: Will you answer my questions? Man: Not if I can help it.

Willesden landlady: Can you tell me what to do with a violent tenant? Magistrate: The answer is in the negative.

Midland solicitor: Money is not everything in married life. Man: You ask my wife!

Nervous woman at Kingston: I married a widow with three children.

Visitor: "My poor man! I presume it was the desire for drink that brought you here?"

Prisoner: "Not at all. I never expected to get any in this place."

I regard "Wuthering Heights" as the summit of feminine attainment in fiction.—Mr. Arnold Bennett.

"We have got to take action to get back again to where we were, and regain what we have lost.—Mr. Herbert Smith.

I do not share the opinion that all combinations of manufacturers are against public policy.—Mr. J. T. Brownlie.

If the central banking authority can keep the price of gold stable, then we shall go very rapidly ahead.—Sir Josiah Stamp.

Should Miss Joan Clarkson, the blonde actress appearing in "One Damn Thing After Another," in London, decide to have her hair bobbed it will be the most expensive tonsorial operation since that performed by Samson. Her new contract provides for a fifty per cent reduction in her salary should she bob or shingle or crop or in any way change her hair.

A certain Irishman was very proud of a huge bulldog he possessed, and which was his constant companion. One day a friend met him without the dog, and looking very disconsolate.

"Well," he asked, "how is that dog of yours doing?"

"Oh, he jabsers, he's dead; the poor baste wint an' swallowed a tape-measure."

"Oh, I see. He died by inches, then," said the friend, in a would-be witty tone.

"No, shure, he didn't, now," retorted Pat. "He wint round to the back an' the house an' died by the yard."

Extract from an article on Christmas presents in the *Chicago Daily News*—

The effect of the bootlegger upon the Christmas trade is conspicuous. Decanters of every style flourish in every department store and gift shop. Frequently they are in the shape of animals, with metal heads. Cocktail sets, with a special assortment for travels, leather inclosed, flood the market. Bottles, with tops that padlock for the rare liquor sell so rapidly that one Michigan Avenue jewellery store sold out its entire stock a week ago.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Nov. 3.

Paris	124.05
Brussels	84.94
Amsterdam	12.08
Berlin	20.40
Copenhagen	13.17
Vienna	34.43
Helsingfors	103.34
Lisbon	2.27/64
Bucharest	780
Buenos Aires	47.53/64
Shanghai	2/04
New York	4.90 20/32
Geneva	25.25
Milan	89 1/2
Stockholm	18.10
Oslo	18.43
Prague	36.42
Madrid	28.45
Athens	305 1/2
Rio	5.20/32
Bombay	1/5.15/16
Hongkong	2/0
Silver (spot)	20 1/2
Silver (forward)	20.5/16

—British Wireless.

CANTON LABOUR'S
GRAND PARADE.HOW RIVER SEAMEN WERE
INTIMIDATED.

WARNING AND ITS SEQUEL.

The big meeting held in Canton yesterday on the East Parade Ground, to celebrate the return of the "Leftist" leaders, did not pass off uneventfully, for it is learned that in some cases, when seamen working on Hongkong-Canton vessels refused to attend, they were forced by the Chinese Seamen's Union to go, and according to a report in the vernacular press it is said that yesterday afternoon some firing of shots was heard along the bund in Canton.

Whether this shooting was in connection with the trouble with the labourers who were being forced by the "Leftists" to attend the meeting, is not known.

A manifesto was sent by the Chinese Seamen's Union in Canton to all seamen on the river-boats, including the Hongkong-Canton boats, ordering all of them to attend the meeting at the East Parade Ground, yesterday morning, and that all the Hongkong-Canton steamers which were scheduled to leave the city in the morning should stop running for one day.

The manifesto concluded by saying that there were many unsettled disputes among the Canton labourers, including the matter of compensation for the 1925 strikers, a revision of the conditions of treatment of the 1925 strikers who are now in Canton, and, finally, the release of the arrested labour extremists; and they hoped the new chairman of Canton Political Council, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, would settle these disputes. Consequently all seamen were requested to attend the meeting to celebrate the return of their "saviour" to power.

A Warning.

When the manifesto reached the Hongkong-Canton boats, the seamen were warned by the management of the vessels that if they attended the meeting, and there were riots or other disturbances, as at the last seamen's meeting, the managements would give them no assistance if any of them should get into trouble with the government, who at any moment might arrest them as labour extremists.

Owing to these warnings, the seamen declined to go, and consequently all the vessels were able to leave at their scheduled time, arrangements being made with the Chinese Seamen's Union that each boat would send two representatives to attend the meeting.

The s.s. Charles Hardouin arrived in Hongkong at one o'clock this morning, and it was learned that shortly before she left, Canton seamen men from the Chinese Seamen's Union arrived on the boat, arrested two members of the crew, and took them ashore by force. Probably this was due to their refusing to attend the gathering at the Parade Ground.

One report in the vernacular press states that more than 100,000 people in Canton attended the meeting yesterday.

CHICAGO MAYOR'S
CAMPAIGN.

"I CAN, BUT I WON'T."

Chicago, Nov. 3. "I can ban the books but I won't," was Mayor Thompson's reply to the suit against him by a taxpayer named Bohac, to restrain him from burning British books, which will be filed in the form of a demurrer before the judge of the circuit courts, in which Mr. Thompson maintains that the mayor is entitled to investigate any public institution and destroy the books of its library, which at the same time he declares he has no intention of doing.

A message of October 25 stated: A Chicago taxpayer, named Bohac, with three children attending school, has filed a suit to restrain the Mayor from executing his threat to burn the pro-British books in the Municipal Library, "because they are public property, purchased by the proceeds of taxation, and if destroyed I will be deprived of their use and enjoyment."

A new German plan for reforming the calendar has led to a society being formed to propagate the idea. The originator is Dr. Blochmann, who lives in Kiel. He makes January, April, July, and October months of 31 days, giving all the other 30. This provides for every quarter having 91 days and beginning on a Sunday, and every month 26 working days. The year is thus divided into 364 days. The one day over is added to June as "Mid Year's Day." Easter would be kept on April 8, and Christmas Eve would fall on a Sunday.

YANGTZE PIRACY.

AMERICAN SHIP HELD
FOR THREE DAYS.

A WARNING DISREGARDED.

In corroboration of the scanty news received through naval channels and published some ten days ago private letters have just arrived from Wanhien giving some additional information regarding the pirating of the Yangtze Rapids at I-Ping by bandits some short distance above Ichang.

While full details are at present lacking, it is understood that Messrs. Bell, Rackham and Hartwell, of the Canadian Church Mission, were passengers by the I-Ping, which left Ichang for Chungking on October 16.

Warning by Consul.

The British Consul-designate for Chungking, Mr. A. P. Blunt, who is at present at Hankow awaiting instructions about proceeding to Chungking, warned the travellers against their intended voyage, and tried to induce them to wait at Hankow until they could go up by the same vessel as himself, which would have a British naval escort. Mr. Blunt pointed out that the conditions at and above Ichang were well known to be chaotic, and decidedly dangerous.

It is gathered that the three travellers were particularly anxious to continue their journey, in order to relieve several of their fellow workers who, despite the explicit orders of H. M. Minister for the complete evacuation of Szechuan after the Nanking outrages, remained at Chengtu, the capital of Szechuan.

Finding that they were determined to proceed Mr. Blunt tried to get them to wait at Ichang for the str. Kingwo, by which he expected to proceed to Chungking, but it is understood that the mission party were averse from returning to their labour under cover of foreign military protection, and that they gave no promise.

The Japanese Steamers.

It was found that the steamers under the Japanese flag, though still running up-river from Ichang, were refusing passengers, and that not only did they have naval escort, but in addition were provided with machine guns mounted on deck and protected by sandbag redoubts. Even the Japanese gunners, however, had not these precautions, being heavily armed by the bandits, especially in the rapids, where free manoeuvring is impossible, and the vessels have had several very unpleasant experiences in running the gauntlet.

The three missionaries accordingly secured passage by the I-Ping which together with the other vessels of the Yangtze Rapids Company flies the American flag. They had no naval escort. They had not gone more than about 40 miles above Ichang when the vessel was held up in one of the rapids by several boatloads of armed pirates, who swarmed on board, made free play with their revolvers, and promptly terrorized the passengers and crew. A demand to stop the vessel at once was made, but to do so at that point would result in a wreck. Thereupon the pirates consented to the ship being taken to a place just above the rapid, where a safe anchorage was found.

A long discussion followed as to the price to be paid for the ransom of the steamer, and as to who should be responsible for payment. Following this the vessel was steamed up to Patung, where the pirates held her for three days, during which negotiations were carried on with their headquarters, some distance down river. In the end a business man of Patung was found, who, for a substantial consideration, agreed to become responsible for the balance of the ransom, which it was understood was fixed at \$12,000, some cash having been found on the steamer.

Personal Effects Ransomed.

This business having been completed to the satisfaction of the bandits, they left the vessel after having robbed the passengers and crew. It is understood that Messrs. Bell, Rackham, and Hartwell managed to save their personal possessions by payment of several hundred dollars apiece, but that another foreigner was relieved of a valuable gold watch and other items per medium of a flourished automatic pistol.

Details are lacking as to the general behaviour of the pirates while the steamer was in their possession, but it was noted that they seemed to be on quite amicable terms with the military at Patung, and there is a suspicion of co-operation with the latter.

Grave Risk to Foreigners.

The I-Ping reached Wanhien safely, and eventually arrived at Chungking without further incident. But from this incident and many others reported during the past two or three weeks it is

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FIFTEEN MONTHS FOR
CRAWLEY.STERN REBUKE BY JUDGE
PURDY.

AN APPEAL LODGED.

On Saturday morning last (as announced by special telegram to the Telegraph) Judge Milton D. Purdy sentenced K. M. Crawley, who had been convicted in the United States Court at Shanghai of obtaining \$72,300 under false pretences from M. D. Yang, in an alleged arms deal, to 15 months' imprisonment in McNeil's Island Penitentiary, near Seattle, Washington. Major C. P. Holcomb, with whom was associated Mr. S. A. Moss, gave notice of appeal. Crawley, who had returned his share of the proceeds, \$30,000, to complainant, was released on bail of \$4,000, under instructions from the Court to report daily to Mr. T. R. Porter, U. S. Marshal, in such manner and place as the officer might order. Dr. G. Sellett, U. S. District Attorney, prosecuted in the case, while Mr. F. J. Schuhl watched proceedings on behalf of Mr. Yang.

The case, it will be recalled, became "news" when Crawley was arrested in Japan on September 6. The action itself began in the U. S. Commissioner's Court at which time Mr. N. E. Lurion found that a prima facie case had been established. The trial of Crawley before Judge Purdy, which occupied eight days of the Court's time, began on October 12, and evidence was heard until the Court adjourned on October 20. Counsel argued the following day, after which the Judge found Crawley guilty, but postponed sentence until Saturday.

When the Court sat on Saturday, Dr. Sellett informed his Honour that he moved for sentence, as the Court had found Crawley guilty.

Appeal for Leniency.

Major Holcomb, in asking for leniency for Crawley, said that accused voluntarily returned from Japan. He had no idea in Japan that Wilder had conferred with the American authorities regarding bail.

Continuing Major Holcomb said: "I would also like to call the Court's attention to the fact that Mr. Crawley paid \$30,000, the amount in the civil case filed against him, this being the amount which he received in the transaction on which he was convicted. I also want to call the Court's attention to Mr. Crawley's family; he has a home in California and intends to spend the rest of his life there, with his mother and two children. I ask your Honour to take that into consideration. If a man goes to the penitentiary, it puts a certain mark on him and he loses his citizenship. I ask the Court to consider Mr. Crawley's sentence in this regard, and not to send him to the penitentiary. If you would sentence him to a jail sentence here, he would be a model prisoner and be able to go back home in an entirely different condition, than if he were sentenced to a term in the penitentiary."

Dr. Sellett informed the Court that he had inspected the Court records and had seen the notice of release of the civil suit. He did think, however, that the crime of which Crawley was convicted required heavier punishment than a jail sentence.

The Judge on Crawley's Guilt.

Judge Purdy began speaking in a well-modulated, low, but clear voice, and said that he had found defendant guilty at the conclusion of the trial. He had not had the slightest doubt then, but now, on reflection, he was more convinced than ever that Crawley was guilty, and that he had acted deliberately. He had obtained the money from the Chinese and had tried to get to America with it. To bring him and the money back to Shanghai might have been a difficult matter.

Referring again to the trial his Honour expressed himself that, at that time, he now also believed that Crawley had obtained half of the spoil.

His Honour could not allow for much because Crawley returned voluntarily from Japan, and the only mitigating circumstances were accused's mother and two children. He could not sympathize with a defendant who voluntarily returned to the Court's jurisdiction and asked for a nominal sentence.

Those Criminally Minded.

Continuing he said, "I am inclined to think that such action of the Court would be very wrong. It is rather an invitation to the general public for people who are criminally minded to go out into the highways, here and there, get money under false pretences and stand trial, offer defence, and then if they are convicted turn over the

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RENT INCREASE.

DECONTROL EFFECTS
IN SINGAPORE.

A \$15,600,000 BUDGET.

The Singapore Municipal budget for 1928, which involves an expenditure of \$15,620,538, was approved last week. Its principal feature was the heavy provision made for reconstruction of bridges.

The increase in Singapore rents since the abolition of the Rent Restriction Board in 1922, the Mohammedan burial ground, and the need for a Malay settlement were among the matters brought up by Commissioners.

The principal items in the road programme for next year were indicated, and new works for which provision was made included temporary abattoirs at Jalan Besar, and the Kreta Ayer market. It was stated that unexpected difficulties had arisen in the construction of the new Grove Road Bridge.

The Commissioners resolved themselves into a special meeting to consider the municipal estimates for 1923.

The President said they had estimated that from January 1 "there would be" a balance of \$2,037,786. They had estimated the revenue for next year at \$13,791,950, which gave them a total of \$15,829,776 to spend. It was proposed to spend the greater part of the money on two departments, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, and the Architect's Department.

Bridges accounted for a great deal. They had allotted \$45,000 for the approaches to Elgin Bridge, which it was hoped to do next year. Then there was \$200,000 for the third instalment for Elgin Bridge, \$110,000 for Pulau Saigon Bridge, \$67,000 for Kandang Kerbau Bridge, \$27,000 for the widening of Institution Bridge, and \$30,000 for the reconstruction of minor bridges.

Roads Expenditure.

They were devoting less money than usual to the reconstruction of roads—\$350,000 as against \$600,000 last year.

They proposed to erect temporary pig abattoirs at a cost of \$150,000 at the urgent instance of the Health Officer.

They had allotted \$200,000 for housing the subordinate staff, and \$250,000 for senior officers' quarters in Adam Road. Other items under the heading, Architect's Department, were \$70,000 for the hawkers' shelter which was now being built in Queen Street, \$70,000 for the Kreta Ayer market, which had at last been begun, \$65,000 for a sub-fire station at Paya Lebar Road, \$75,000 and \$35,000 for coolie lines, \$38,000 for drivers' quarters at Mount Emily, and \$50,000 for land for a market at Sims Avenue.

House Rentals.

Earlier in the meeting the Commission considered interpellations by members.

The Hon. Che Yunus bin Abdullah asked:

1. Will the President state what has been the percentage of increase in rent of dwelling houses since the abolition of the Rent Assessment Board?

2. As regards the housing problem, will the President express an opinion as to—(a) whether the supply has already met the demand? (b) if in the negative, whether it is ever likely to do so? (c) or whether, on the contrary, the existing hardships under which the middle-class and wage-earning sections of the population are at present groaning, would not be further intensified by the increasing influx of immigrants and others and by the entire absence of control in all possible directions?

The President replied:—

1. Notice not sufficient to enable an answer to be given.

2. (a) No. (b) A difficult question to answer. (i) upon the speed with which new areas are made available for building. (ii) upon the rate of influx of new population.

(c) Is put in a manner which makes a direct reply impossible. There can be no doubt that an increased rate of inflow must intensify the pressure.

Effect of Decontrol.

The President gave further information which, he said, had not been given him in time to include in the answers given above. His supplementary replies were as follows:

1. The Rent Restriction Board ceased at the end of 1922. The average percentage increase of rents on all houses since that date is approximately as follows:—1924, 14 per cent, above the rents obtaining in 1922, 1925, 16 per cent, 1926, 19 per cent, and 1927, 23 per cent. The increase in the case of houses formerly controlled by the Rent Restriction Board is considerably higher, the approximate percentage of increase being as follows:—1924, 40 per cent.

TO-DAY'S WEDDING.

SUBMARINE OFFICER GETS
MARRIED.

A very pretty wedding, of much interest in naval circles, took place at St. John's Cathedral this morning, when Lieut.-Commander Conway Bennis Allen, R.N. (youngest son of the late Samuel Allen, LL.D., D.L., and Mrs. Allen, of Llanconnan, Dervock, County Antrim) was married to Miss Marjorie Brough Warren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Brough Warren, of Westmoreland House, Tunbridge Wells. The bridegroom is attached to H.M.S. Titania for Submarine duty.

The bride, who was given away by Commander Allan Poland, D.S.O., of H.M.S. Ambrose, looked charming in a dress of white georgette and diamante, with silver laine train. The duties of best man were carried out by Lieut.-Com. T. M. Taylor, of H.M.S. Titania, whilst Eng.-Lieut. Com. A. S. Bedells presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle.

Following the ceremony a reception was held on board H.M.S. Ambrose.

Submarine L5, the bridegroom's boat, was wearing a garland at the masthead this morning, and H.M.S. Ambrose was similarly decorated.

THE QUESTION OF
A DAM.BRITAIN, THE U.S., AND
ABYSSINIA.

London, Nov. 3.

Well-informed circles in London are sceptical about a report in the *New York Times* to the effect that the White Engineering Corporation, of New York, is likely to obtain a concession from the Abyssinian Government to build a dam across the Blue Nile, and thus control the water supplies in Egypt and the Sudan.

On the contrary, it is believed that no such agreement is possible under the terms of the Anglo-Abyssinian treaty, and, moreover, the construction of a dam is being discussed by the British and Abyssinian Governments.—*Reuter*.

COOLIE'S BRUTAL
ATTACK.

LADY STILL UNCONSCIOUS.

Regarding the brutal attack with a chopper, on Mrs. Forestier, by a discharged coolie, as cabled yesterday by our Shanghai correspondent, our correspondent reports to-day that Mrs. Forestier has not yet regained consciousness. The police, who are searching for the assailant, are working on a clue.

HOW MUCH DO YOU
KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

1. What is the penalty for wrongfully pulling the communication cord in a train?
2. Where is Broadway, England?
3. What is the young of the hare called?
4. Who is to be next year's Lord Mayor of London?
5. What are oysters?
6. Where is Chatterbury Ring?
7. Who is the Spanish Ambassador to Great Britain?
8. What modern dramatic critic wrote a successful melodrama?
9. What is the German Parliament called?
10. What is a wombat?
11. Which of these stories has no giant? *Beauty and the Beast, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk.*
12. What is a lapidary?

1925, 50 per cent., 1926, 55 per cent., and 1927, 60 per cent.

Particulars for 1928 are naturally not yet available, but further considerable increases appear to be indicated particularly in respect of houses of moderate rentals.

2-a. The facility with which new dwelling houses are let, and the small number of reports of vacant premises received, appear to indicate that the supply has not yet met the demand.

2-b. The last two years have shown a marked increase in the number of new dwelling houses, and the continuance of the present rate of building will do much to equalise supply and demand.

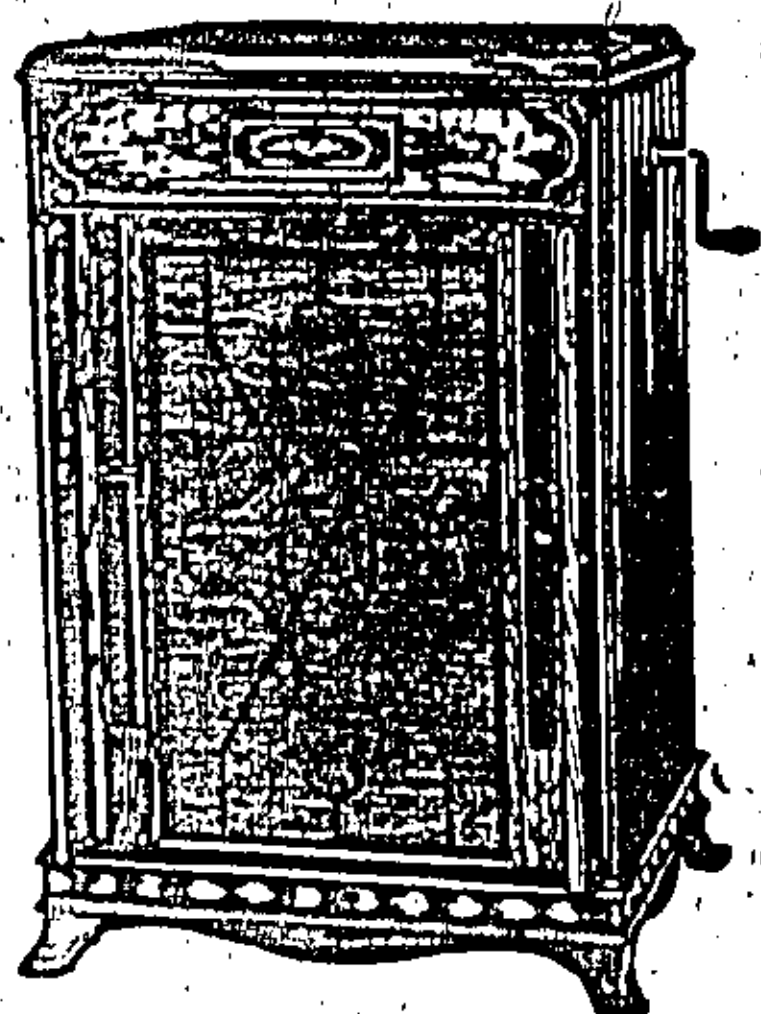
2-c. The increase in the population, from whatever source or cause, must tend to extend the period of difficulty in regard to building.

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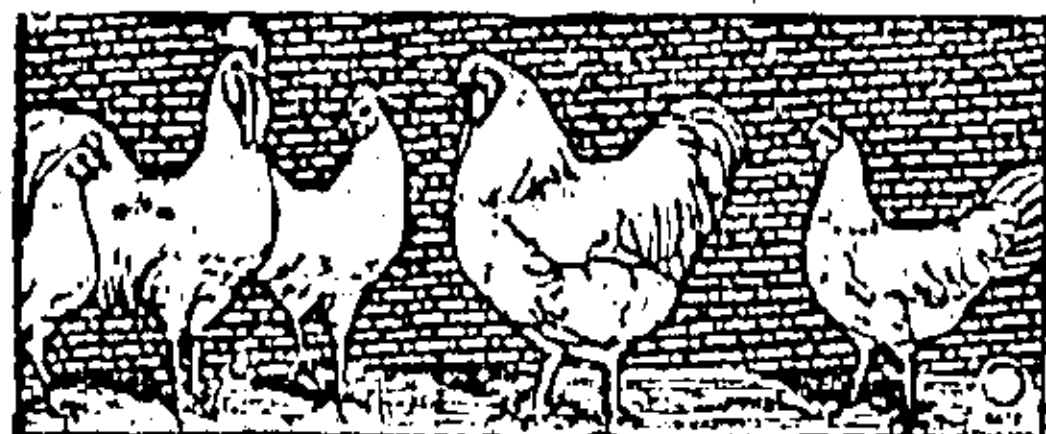
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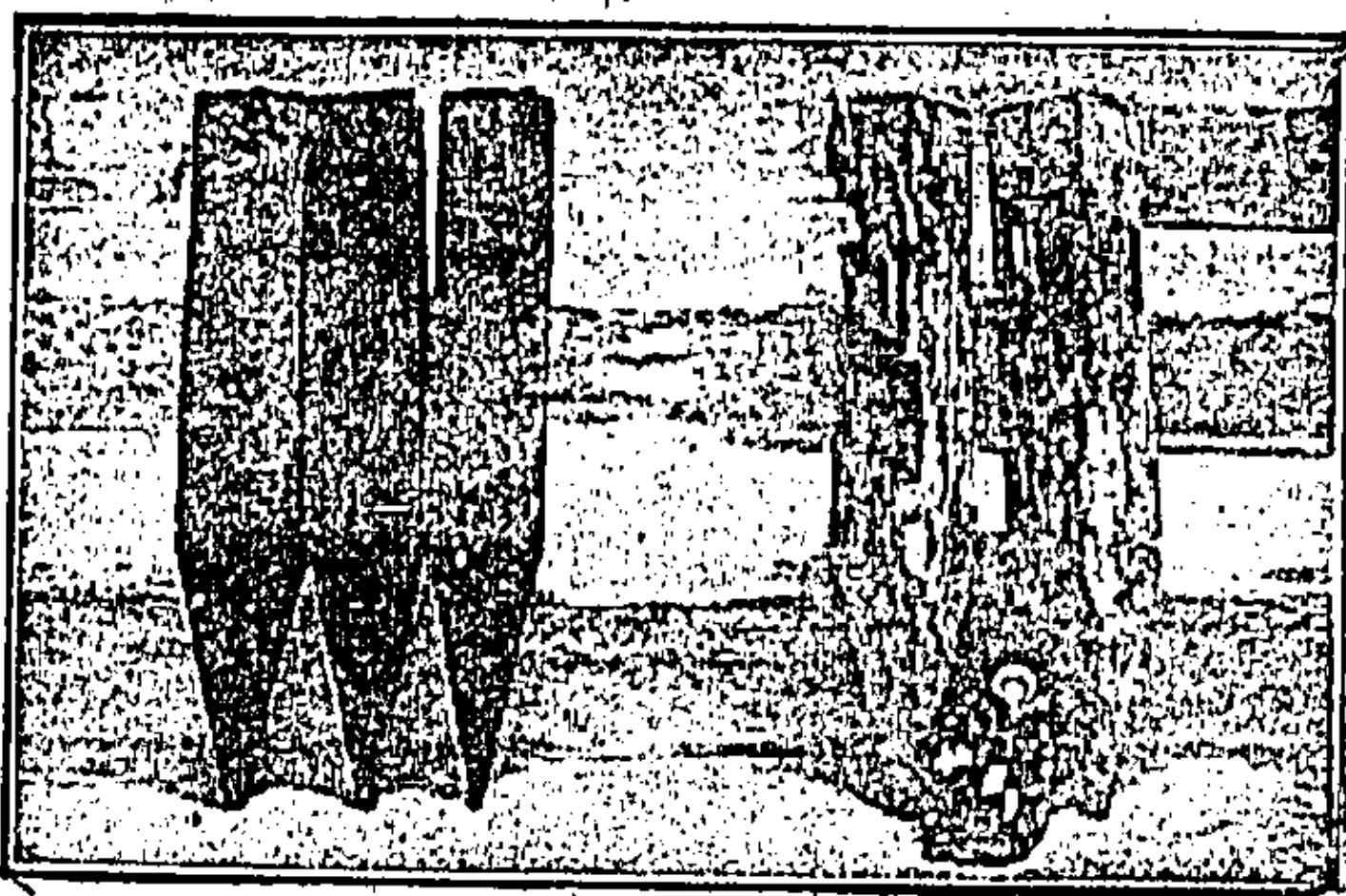
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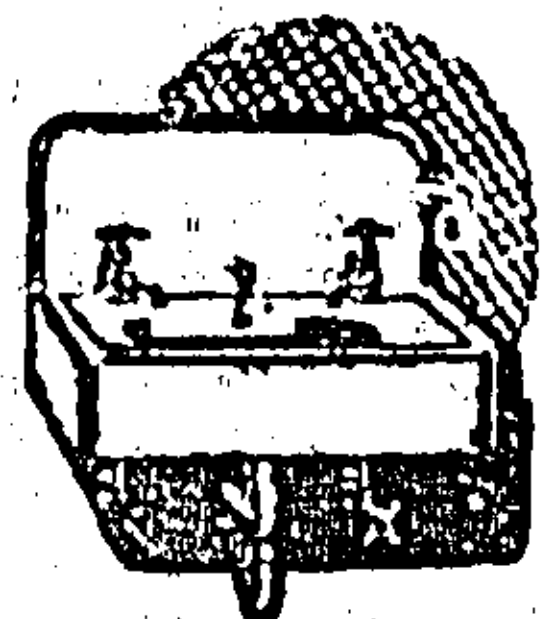
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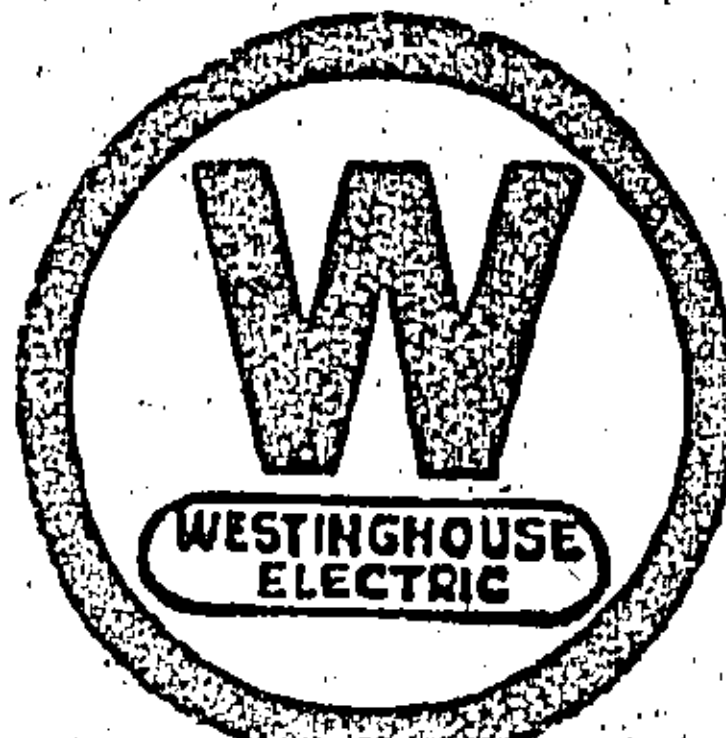
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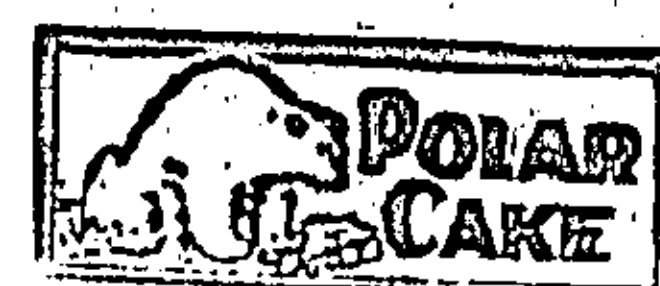
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LOCAL SOCCER.

NEEDLE MATCH AT
SOOKUNPOO.

KOWLOON POSTPONEMENTS.

[By "Wanderer."]
Chinese Athletic with five
straight victories to their credit
come up against their first real
test to-morrow when they oppose
the King's Own Scottish Borderers
on the Sookunpoo ground. The
result is expected to have an im-
portant bearing on the league
championship.
The fixture list is abbreviated
this week by the postponement of
the Kowloon fixtures on account
of the H.K.V.D.C. sports.
Eleven matches are down for
decision.

THE FIXTURES.

The fixture list, together with
grounds, times of kick-off, and the
referees appointed, is appended:

Senior Division.

South China v. Queen's—S. China,
4.15.—Capt. Austin.
H.K. Club v. Scots Guards—Club,
4.15.—Mr. Smith.
Police v. R.A.F.—U.S.R.C., 4.15.—Mr.
Gilbert.
K.O.S.B. v. Chinese Ath.—Sookunpoo,
4.15.—Mr. Baldwin.

Junior Division "A".

R.A. v. Recreation—Sookunpoo, 2.45.—
Mr. Browne.
K.O.S.B. v. Club—Club, 2.45.—Mr.
Presley.
S. China "B" v. S. China "A"—St.
Joseph's, 4.15.—Mr. Samy.
St. Joseph's v. University—St.
Joseph's, 2.45.—Mr. Lamb.

Junior Division "B".

S. China "A" v. Kung Woo—S. China,
2.45.—Ip Kau-ko.
Chinese Ath. v. Moslems—Recreation,
4.15.—Mr. Stokes.
S. China "B" v. Boy Scouts—Recreation,
2.45.—Mr. Hutchins.

A Needle Match.

It can with safety be predicted
that the Sookunpoo ground will be
taxed to capacity for the match
between the K.O.S.B. and the
league leaders, Chinese Athletic.
It will be a needle match, and one
of considerable importance from
the league standpoint as it pro-
vides the Chinese Athletic with
their first severe test of the
season. Their present position
with all possible points and a goal
average of 19-1 appears to be
pretty formidable, but the side
was not over-impressive against
the Artillery on Saturday last, and
the K.O.S.B. may bring off a sur-
prise.

The Borderers have dropped
points unexpectedly, though up to
the present they have steered clear
of defeat. The two teams adopt
a different style of football, and
the struggle should prove very
interesting. It should not create
considerable surprise should the
Chinese Athletic meet with their
first reverse.

The Queen's in Form.

The Queen's were in capital
form against the Borderers on
Wednesday, and they should have
little difficulty in defeating South
China; in spite of the latter's sur-
prise point last week. It can be
said of South China that they are
stickers, and they are expected to
give their opponents a good run.

Club at Home.

The Scots Guards, following
early successes, have dropped
heavily in their two most recent
games, conceding six goals where
formerly the defence had proved
impenetrable. They visit the
H.K.F.C. on Saturday, and Jimmy
Stewart, who will make a most
welcome return to the ranks of
the Colony's senior club, may
brace up the side to continue the
series of Scots Guards' setbacks.
The Guards are a strong
vigorous team, and the indications
are that they will return to win-
ning form.

Police and R.A.F.

Two very well-matched sides
will be in opposition on the
U.S.R.C. ground, Chatham Road, in
the Police and the R.A.F. Form
would indicate a fairly comfort-
able success for the Police, but
form has never been so contrary
in local football as this season,
and I rather favour the prospects
of a first league victory for the
R.A.F.

MALAYAN TEAM FOR HONGKONG.

CRITICISED AS NOT BEING
REPRESENTATIVE.

We have received a letter from a
correspondent regarding the team
from Malaya which will visit Hong-
kong, says the *Straits Times*. He
complains of "cliquishness" and
says the team cannot be regarded
as representative of the best talent
in Malaya.

"It is really time," he adds, "that
a representative Board of Control
was established to handle important
cricket matters in Malaya, instead
of leaving things to prejudiced
cliques."

If a Board of Control existed and
was asked to send team to Hong-
kong, no doubt such a team would
be selected on a different basis. As
it is, however, the invitation from
Hongkong was sent, as has always
been the case, to the Singapore
Cricket Club, the committee of
which approached certain players in
the Straits and Malay States.

It is not claimed that it is a re-
presentative team, and it has not
been described as such. Our cor-
respondent wishes good luck to "Mr.
Poster's European side," and this
seems as good a name as any.

The suggestion of the Board of
Control for Malaya is a good one,
and might well be considered by
all the clubs.

PHIL SCOTT MEETS KNUTE HANSEN.

BRITON CONFIDENT OF
VICTORY.

New York, Nov. 3.
Phil Scott, the British heavy-
weight champion, is quietly confi-
dent that he will win the first fight
in the heavy-weight eliminating
series, to decide Tunney's chal-
lenger, when he meets the Dane, Knute
Hansen, over ten rounds here to-
morrow evening.
Scott is favourite at 7 to 5, and is
in fine condition. *Reuter's Ameri-
can Service*.
Knute Hansen will be remem-
bered as being in China two years ago,
doing some boxing at Shanghai, and
appearing here when on his way to
his way to Europe and America.

GREYHOUND RACING FOR SHANGHAI.

SHIPMENT LEAVING SHORTLY.

London, Nov. 3.
There are 233 greyhounds train-
ing at Harringway, some for Cairo
and some for Shanghai, where
they are to be taken shortly, as
previously announced.
They will sail about November
14. Major Duncan Campbell will be
the general manager of the
Shanghai track. *Reuter*.

With the Juniors.

In the Junior "A" Division,
chief interest will soon be centred
round the runners-up position,
since the repetition of the K.O.S.B.
success appears already assured.
The Club Reserves will do well in
to-morrow's match to keep the
score down to reasonable propor-
tions.

The R.A. Reserves should be
good enough to defeat the Recreation
Reserves, while St. Joseph's look
likely winners against the Univer-
sity.

One of the curiosities of this
season is the fact that the "B" teams
in both the Junior "A" and
Junior "B" Divisions have a better
record than the "A" teams. In
the clash to-morrow between the
"A" and "B" in the "A" Division,
an idea should be gained as to
whether this is more the luck of
the draw than better performance.
The "B" team should win on form.
In the Junior "B," Kung Woo,
Chinese Athletic and South China
"B" are expected to win.

Armistice Day Match.

The Council has sanctioned the
playing of a match on Armistice
Day in aid of Poppy Day Funds,
and the Colony's best will meet the
United Services. A good game
is certain.

The Colony's team will be:
Pau Kaping (Chinese Ath.); B.
Wynne (Police); Lai Yuk-tat
(Chinese Ath.); C. F. Remedios
(Recreation); J. Stewart (H.K.F.C.);
capt. and Lam Yuk-ying (Chinese
Ath.); T. Pile (Club); B. Howarth
(Police); A. Gosano (Recreation);
Suen Kam-shun (Chinese Ath.)
and J. Brown (Recreation).
Reserves: Brittain and Silva.
Mr. J. W. Baldwin will referee
the match, and Capt. Austin and
Mr. Smith will be on the line.
The match is scheduled to kick-off
at 4 p.m.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

NINE OF THE TEAM
SELECTED.

The third Interport trial match
has been fixed for to-morrow on
the Hongkong Cricket Club ground,
to commence at 2 p.m., when T. E.
Pearce's XI will play The Rest,
captained by Capt. Morris.

It would appear that the
Selection Committee has already
definitely chosen nine of the team
which is to represent Hongkong in
the forthcoming Interport, the
batting order being as follows:—

A. W. Hayward.
W. Brace.
Lieut. K. Hunt, R.M.
T. E. Pearce (captain).
G. R. Sayer.
A. W. Ramsey.
Capt. A. G. Dobbie.
Lieut. J. H. Dale, R.N.
A. N. Other.
C. D. Wales.

This is the team which with the
addition of Lieut. Melsome and
Surg.-Com. Hull, R.N., (both of
whom are debarred from playing
in the Interport) will turn out
to-morrow afternoon against "The
Rest." The two vacant places
will have to be filled by bowlers
and to-morrow's game will be
specifically for the purpose of
choosing the remaining two.

"The Rest" will be composed of
the following:—Capt. Morris
(Capt.), F. Goodwin, Lt. Hankey,
E. C. Fincher, E. B. Reed, A. Reid,
Col. Barber, Capt. Thorp, Capt.
Bridgland, Lt. Dynes, H. V. Par-
ker.

Shanghai Eleven Defeated.

On Saturday last, several Inter-
port men, with the assistance of
others, tried conclusions with a
S.C.C. eleven. They were beaten.
Their total score was 115 and the
Rest secured 196. Percy Carr was
the hero of the match; he got eight
wickets for 20 runs, bowling ex-
cellently, swinging both ways and
breaking from leg and off against
the wind. These matches only
prove that there are many players
worth their place in the Interport
eleven but due to their inability
to secure the necessary leave are
inevitably precluded from making
the trip. Take Barnes for in-
stance: Dunkley is a far more
polished wicket keeper, but costs
his side more runs than
Barnes. Barnes keeps extras
down but Dunkley gets more
wickets. His catching and
stumping is in every respect far
superior to Barnes. Gordon's
record too, as a stumper is good,
but Barnes is able to get away
and in addition has the reputation
of keeping the extras down and
also of being useful when runs
are needed: as witness his display
against Hongkong last year. All
the crack bats, Quayle, Barrett
and Madar failed miserably yes-
terday. The Interport eleven
batted first. Barton was out for
10, Quayle got five, Barrett four
and Torry Wilson, Shanghai's
greatest all-rounder, got top score
with 22. Their total was 115.
The Rest batted and got 196: Capt.
Quin in a very fine innings secured
45, Lt. Comdr. Reed got 34, the
veteran, E. G. Norman, in a fine
display, through which he carried
his bat, got 35. Interest in
cricket from both players and
spectators point of view is wan-
ing and the sooner the Interport
games are accomplished the
better. November is too late for
cricket: rugby and soccer are the
games which are attracting atten-
tion now and with the excellent
talent available through the
advent of the military teams this
factor is not surprising. *N. C.
Daily News*.

VINCENT RICHARDS COMING HERE.

WILL PLAY IN MANILA.

Vincent ("Vinnie") Richards, of
New York, one of the world's
brightest tennis luminaries now
turned professional, will visit
Manila about Thanksgiving Day,
according to information received
recently at the Dollar line offices
there.
He will spend two days in the
city during the stop-over of an
around-the-world liner which will
probably be the President Polk,
due to arrive November 24.
Richards will be invited to be
the guest of the Manila Tennis
Club and he may be seen in ac-
tion on local courts if the tennis
officials can arrange with him for
a series of matches and can fur-
nish the players to make him step
a bit.
Richards, who turned profes-
sional several months ago to join
the ranks of C. C. Pyle's athletic
stars for a tour of the United
States, is now in Japan playing a
series of matches under the aus-
pices of the Osaka Mainichi.
Since turning professional, he has
spent a great deal of time on the
courts in spite of the fact that
his decision has barred him from
all Davis Cup matches and ama-
teur tournaments. A great deal
of his time has been spent on

SHANGHAI GOLF.

QUALIFYING ROUND OF
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The qualifying round of the
Shanghai Golf Club championship
was played off on Sunday last at
Kiangwan under almost perfect
weather conditions. The "fair-
ways" were slightly on the hard
side and at several holes the wind
during the afternoon caused
several contestants some little
trouble. The balmy sunny
weather more than offset these
handicaps.

Most of the entrants failed to
distinguish themselves and played
their average game. Mr. A. R.
Blinko in the afternoon round,
however, proved his mettle by
making a 70 for nine holes, despite
an unfortunate 8 on the fifth green.
He led with 149-79 and 70—and
Budd finished second with 152,
making 74 on the first round and
78 on the second.

The 15 players to qualify were:

	1st	1st	
	Round	Round	Total.
A. R. Blinks	79	70	149
M. W. Budd	74	78	152
J. F. Blitcher	73	78	156
H. R. Malcolm	80	77	157
A. Gray	76	82	158
K. M. Cumming	83	77	160
R. Lock	80	80	160
A. V. Pettitt	79	82	161
P. H. Prevot	82	79	161
T. W. Mitchell	77	84	161
W. H. Huggett	83	79	162
R. T. Denison	78	85	163
D. Ward-Smith	83	80	163
J. H. Underwood	84	81	165
A. Hamilton	82	84	166
D. McLaren	83	83	166

CRICKET.

EASY WIN FOR KOWLOON
CRICKET CLUB.

The Kowloon Cricket Club easily
defeated the Royal Engineers and
Signals yesterday at Kowloon. Bat-
ting first the home team made 185
for the loss of six wickets declared.
Lieut. Dynes and Capt. Drysdale were
in great form for the home team,
the former making 75 and the latter 60
not out.

The visitors had half their wickets
down for less than 60 runs, and even-
tually reached 110, Horspool, Goodyer
and Barton getting double figures.
Dynes took five wickets for 46 and
the others were shared by Morris and
Bevis.

Kowloon C. C.

Capt. F. G. Bevis, b Horspool	10
Lieut. Dynes, b Goodyer	75
J. C. Collins, c Brown, b Horspool	0
F. Edwards, c and b Dare	15
Capt. J. E. Drysdale, not out	50
Capt. E. W. Morris, c and b Dare	1
O. B. Raven, c Brown, b Dare	6
E. B. Morton, not out	23
Extras	0

Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 185

N. H. Reiss, F. Fremaux and W. F.
Waddington did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodyer	9	44	1	4
Horspool	8	40	2	2
Dare	9	53	3	1
Waters	5	21	-	-
Jones	6	20	-	-

R.E. and R.C. of Signals.

Sergt. A. C. Brown, b Capt. Morris	4
Sigm. W. G. Waters, st. Edwards	8
b Morris	8
Rev. J. P. Murray, st. Edwards, b Dynes	8
Sapper Dare, b Dynes	6
Sapper Barton, c Bevis, b Morris	18
Lieut. H. C. W. Eking, b Dynes	0
L/Cpl. Goodyer, b Dynes	18
Sapper Horspool, c Edwards, b Dynes	22
Sergt. Fannett, c Raven, b Bevis	0
Sergt. Jones, c Edwards, b Bevis	1
Corpl. Pritchard, not out	0
Extras	18

Total 110

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dynes	14.4	3	46	5
Morris	10	1	38	3
Bevis	3	1	8	2

CHESS.

ALEKHINE AND CAPABLANCA
AGAIN DRAW.

Buenos Aires, Nov. 3.
The 23rd game between Alekhine
and Capablanca was drawn. *Reuter's
American Service*.

foreign courts since Pyle's troupe
crossed the North American con-
tinent.

Captain Norman E. Cook, presi-
dent of the Manila Tennis Club,
is now negotiating with Richards
with the view of arranging the
proposed matches, and is extend-
ing him an invitation to be the
guest of the club. Efforts will be
made to arrange singles and
doubles with the best Filipino
players in Manila and Mr.
Richards.
The President Polk is due at
Hongkong on November 21.

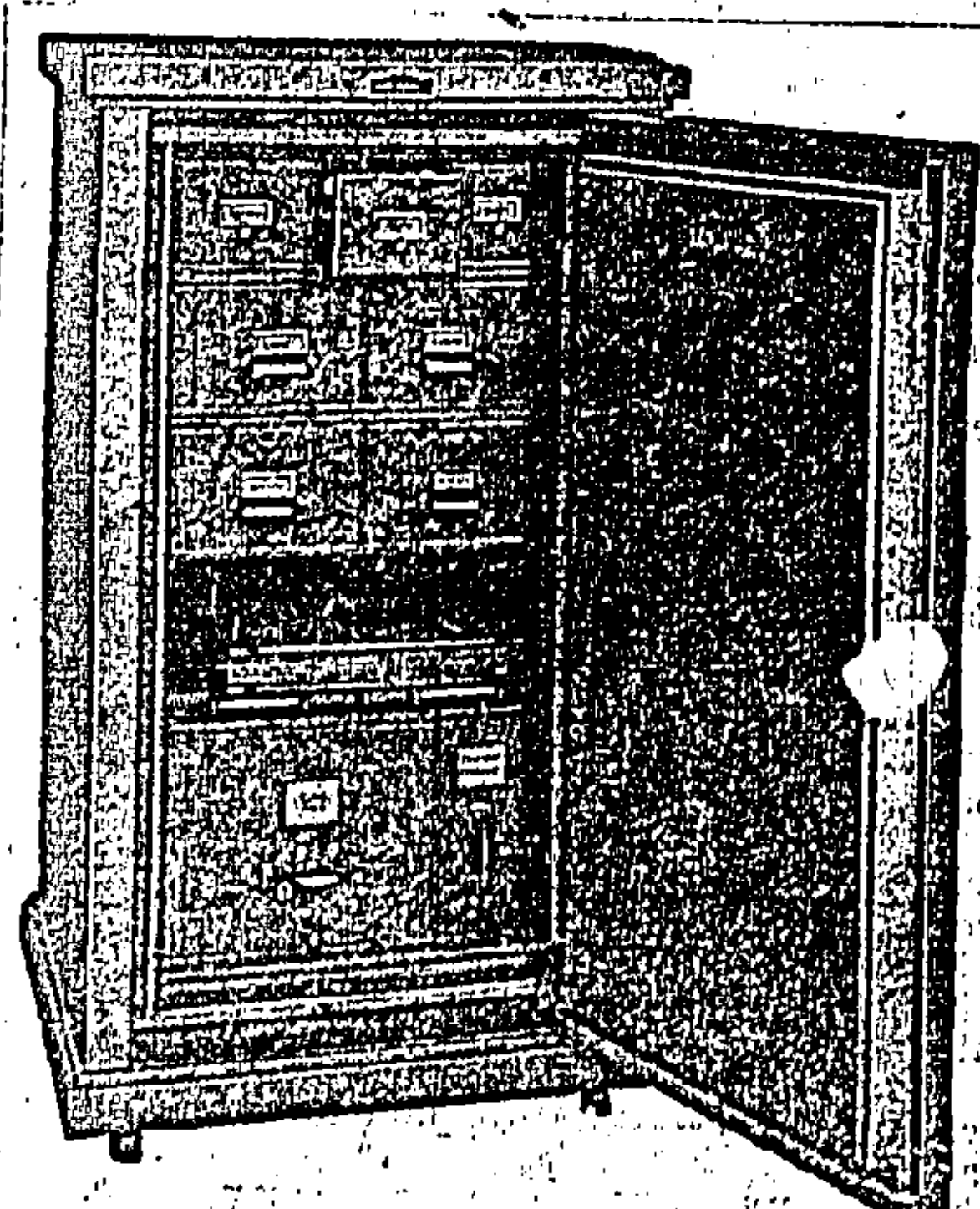
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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 301—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird, D. S. O., Administrative Commandant, Hongkong, Friday, Nov. 4.

1. Lecture.

Lecture by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 14th November, 1927. All available members should attend.

2. Musketry.

The Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies will fire Part II at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 9th November.

All those who have not fired Part II must attend on that date. Range Officer: Lieut. J. Norrie-Owen. Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or multi optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, bandoliers and belt must be worn. Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 4th November, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 5th November, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

3. Artillery Company.

Parade at Headquarters on Thursday, 10th November at 5.25 p.m. for Gun Drill, Laying and Director.

Signal Section as per programme.

4. Engineer Company.

A lecture will be given at Volunteer Headquarters on Wednesday, 9th November at 5.30 p.m. by an Officer of the 40th Co. R. E. Subject: "Engineer Reconnaissance."

Field and Signal Sections will parade at Headquarters on Monday, 7th November at 5.30 p.m. for "Tests."

Signal Section.

Sunday, 6th November. There will be a shoot with the Royal Corps of Signals on the Peak Range at 9 a.m. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. M.G. Noll. Thursday, 10th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

5. Artillery and Engineer Companies. Musketry Part II will be fired on Sunday, 13th November at Stonecutters Range. Range Officer: Lieut. T. Adie Martin.

This is the last opportunity for members of the above Companies who have not fired Part II to attend.

6. Mounted Infantry Company. Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2. Parade at Stables at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th November.

7. Armoured Car Company.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Monday, 7th November. Armoured Car Crew and A. and B. Sub-sections parade at Headquarters ready to proceed to Kennedy Road Range at 5.15 p.m. Section N. C. O. must see that their men parade to time as darkness falls so soon.

Motor Cyclists parade under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock for Special Machine Gun Class.

Field Day. Sunday, 13th November. All members are asked to keep this date open.

8. Infantry Company.

Friday, 4th November at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Corps Headquarters for a special N.C.O.'s Course of training in Vickers Gun.

No. 1 Platoon. Parade at Corps

CRUISERS LEAVE.

FAREWELL MESSAGES.

The following messages between His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Rear Admiral Boyle of H.M.S. Frobisher, have been sent to us for publication:

To H.E. The Governor, from Rear Admiral Commanding 1st Cruiser Squadron, dated 3rd November, 1927:

On leaving Hongkong to return to the Mediterranean may I take this opportunity of thanking Your Excellency, your Government and the community of Hongkong for the kindness and hospitality we have received during our stay in your waters. We wish Hongkong all prosperity.

To Rear Admiral Boyle, H.M.S. Frobisher, from H.E. the O.A.G., dated 3rd November, 1927:

On behalf of the Colony of Hongkong I thank you for your message and for your good wishes. We have much appreciated your stay here and we wish you and your Squadron a safe and pleasant voyage.

Headquarters on Tuesday, 8th November at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, rifles and bayonet will not be required.

No. 2 Platoon. Tuesday, 8th November. Men detailed parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. for Machine Gun firing at Kennedy Road Range. Dress: Multi, belt and bayonet.

Remainder parade at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Multi, belt, rifle and bayonet.

9. No. 4 Platoon.

Thursday, 10th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

10. Scottish Company.

Thursday, 10th November at 5.30 a.m. All Platoons for Vickers Gun Instruction at Platoon Headquarters. Full strength parades from now on are essential to complete programme of work prior to camp.

Church Parade. Annual parade to Union Church will be held on Sunday, 27th November, 1927.

11. Portuguese Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 4th November for Lewis Gun Training and Drill. Dress: Multi, belt, rifle and bayonet.

All men who are not in possession of greatcoats should draw same on Wednesday, 9th November. A number of men have not yet drawn greatcoats. These are part of uniform and must be drawn from the C.Q.M.S.

12. Reserve Company.

The Machine Gun Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. every Wednesday commencing 9th November, 1927. Dress: Multi.

13. Promotion.

The following extract from the Hongkong Government Gazette No. 47 of the 23rd October, 1927, is published for information: "His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Edward Pigott Minett, T.D., V.D., to be Captain in the Hongkong Volunteer

FAREWELL NOTE.

JAPANESE CASTAWAYS TELL OF THEIR SUFFERINGS.

Seattle, Nov. 3. A note scribbled in Japanese on a piece of castaway wood found aboard the Japanese fishing smack, shows the terrible sufferings of the crew of thirteen.

The note was written on March 3. It states that the boat left Misaki on December 12, 1926. The engine broke down, and the eight bushels of rice aboard were exhausted.

No ships have passed us and all hope is gone. Death only is to be awaited. The bodies and bones found account for ten of the crew. It is thought that the remaining three were lost at sea or jumped overboard to end their sufferings.—Reuter's American Service.

Defence Corps, with effect from 25th October, 1927.

14. Reversion.

No. 951 Corpl. J. E. Ward, No. 9. Platoon reverts to the ranks at his own request, as from 28. 10. 27.

15. Holiday.

Friday, 11th November, being Armistice Day will be observed as a holiday, no parades will be held on that date, except the men of the Scottish Company selected for Armistice Day Parade, under orders of O.C. Scottish Company.

Corps Orders will be published on Thursday, 10th November instead of Friday, 11th November, 1927.

16. Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps.

No. 423 S/Sgt. G. T. Padgett, Engineer Co. from 1.11.27, to 30.11.27. No. 915 Spr. C. E. Tavares, Engineer Co. from 18.10.27, to 17.4.28.

17. Struck Off the Strength.

Having purchased discharge—No. 928 Spr. G. Van Bergen, Engineer Co., as from 22.10.27.

O.C. Medical Grounds—No. 858 Spr. G. B. Mooney, Engineer Co., as from 28.10.27; No. 977 Pte. D. P. Pau, No. 4 Platoon as from 31.10.27.

18. A Correspondence Box has been placed in the Orderly Room into which all correspondence must be placed when no member of the orderly Room Staff is present to receive same.

19. The Commandant notices that many men are still without Hosetops and directs that Company and Platoon Commanders give this matter their immediate attention.

The attention to all C.Q.M.S. is drawn to Corps Order No. 255 dated 23.9.27.

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NOTES.

1. No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club.—The next monthly spoon shoot will be held at Peak Range on Sunday, 13th November at 9.30 a.m. A competition with the Portuguese Company Rifle Club will also be held at the same time.

Scottish Company.—Reel Club. Eighth practice will take place at Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 9th November, 1927.



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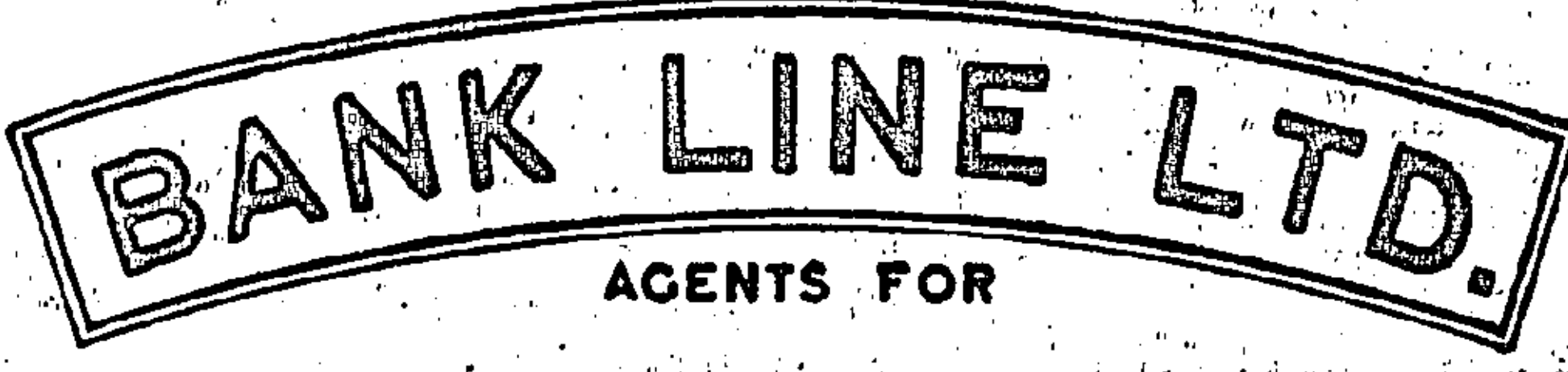
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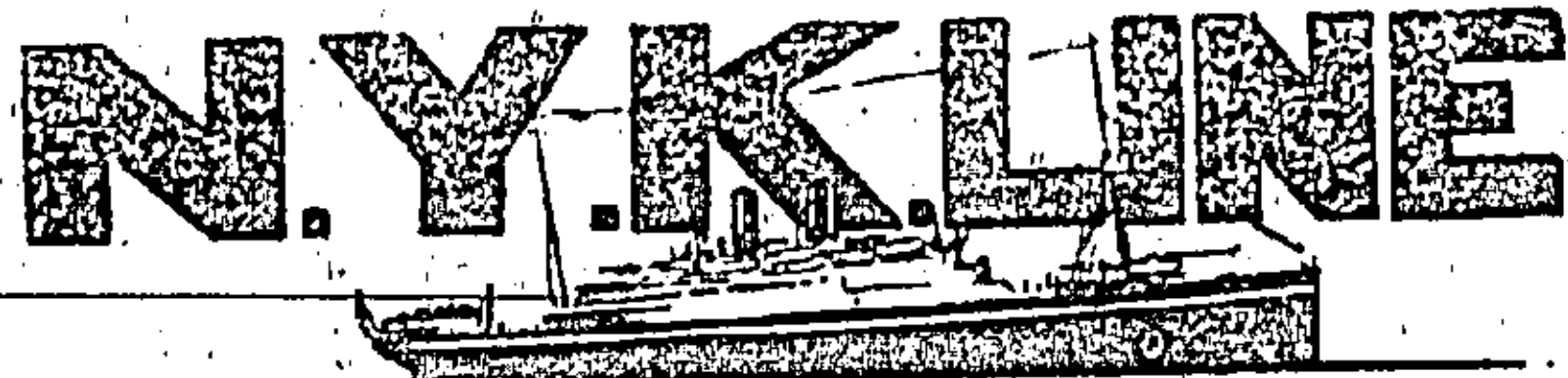
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FRANCE DIFFERS WITH ITALIAN VIEWS.

Paris, Nov. 3.

Referring to the statement of Sig. Tittoni the *Petit Parisien* says that it is stated at the Quai d'Orsay that the agreement between M. Briand and Sig. Tittoni in 1916 referred only to the question of capitulations in the French zone and did not involve a modification of the principle of Italy's renunciation of any claims in Morocco, as agreed in the Treaty of 1912 signed between M. Poincaré and Sig. Tittoni.—*Reuter*.

[Sig. Tittoni, President of the Senate, in a statement to the Press, declared that the claims of France in Tangier were never recognised by anyone, and that Tangier did not belong to the French zone or the Shereefian empire which is subject to the Franco-Italian agreement of 1916. He recalled the Notes exchanged between himself and M. Briand, wherein the French Government declared that despite the war nothing was altered in regard to the rights enjoyed by Italy by virtue of her adhesion to the Franco-German Convention of November 4, 1911. He claimed that this confirmed that Tangier was excluded from the zone of Morocco in regard to which French rights were recognised.]

GUARANTEE PACT.

SOVIET RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

Moscow, Nov. 3.

The presidium of the Central Executive Committee has ratified the Russo-Persian guarantee pact and appended documents.

A message from Moscow dated October 1 stated: The pact binds the signatories to abstain from aggression and interference in the internal affairs of the other and to enter no political alliances, agreements or economic boycotts or blockades against the other.—*Reuter*.

NICARAGUAN BATTLE.

LIBERALS SUFFER SIXTY CASUALTIES.

Managua, Nov. 3.

A combined force of United States Marines and Nicaraguan "National Guard" claim to have caused 60 casualties among the followers of the Liberal general, Sandino, in an engagement yesterday. Two of the National Guard were killed and one United States marine wounded.—*Reuter*.

THE COST OF LIVING.

BRADSTREET SHOWS INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR.

New York, Nov. 3.

Bradstreet's index number for October is 13,397, compared with 12,730 a year ago. Oils, naval stores and building materials have decreased, while the others have increased. Fruits, coal and chemicals are unchanged.—*Reuter's American Service*.

TRADE BARRIERS.

DRAFT OF FIVE YEAR CONVENTION DRAWN.

Geneva, Nov. 3.

The Trade Barriers Conference draft of an international five year convention for the abolition of import and export prohibitions and restrictions provides for the abolition of all such restrictions subject to certain exceptions. The signatories also undertake not to impose any further such restrictions for six months from the enforcement of the agreement.

The Convention also provides against the adoption of disguised prohibitions and restrictions, including the imposition of marks or other formalities and conditions. The restrictions not abolished comprise those for the safeguarding of public health and security in regard to traffic in animals, plants and arms but it is stipulated that these shall not be applied so as to constitute an arbitrary discrimination between foreign countries, and shall be subject to the same conditions or act as concealed restrictions of international trade.

The text of the whole series of reservations is published, indicating that a few delegates will be able to sign the Convention presently.—*Reuter*.

THE DEATH PENALTY.

THE REICHSTAG COMMITTEE REFUSES TO ABOLISH.

Berlin, Nov. 3.

The Reichstag Committee, considering the new penal code, rejected by 17 votes to 11, a Social Democratic motion to abolish the death penalty.—*Reuter*.

Peter Verigin, who has been chosen as their leader by the Doukhobors of Canada (the Russian sect of whom there are 15,000 settled in the Dominion), has arrived from Russia to assume his office. He intends to bring 15,000 more Russian Doukhobors to Canada. Verigin states that his followers are peaceful Communists, unlike those who support the Soviet. It is their intention to live up to the Canadian educational laws and give Canada their physical powers and their brains, but not their souls. He has approached the Canadian Government regarding a plan for the settlement of Doukhobors in the prairie provinces.

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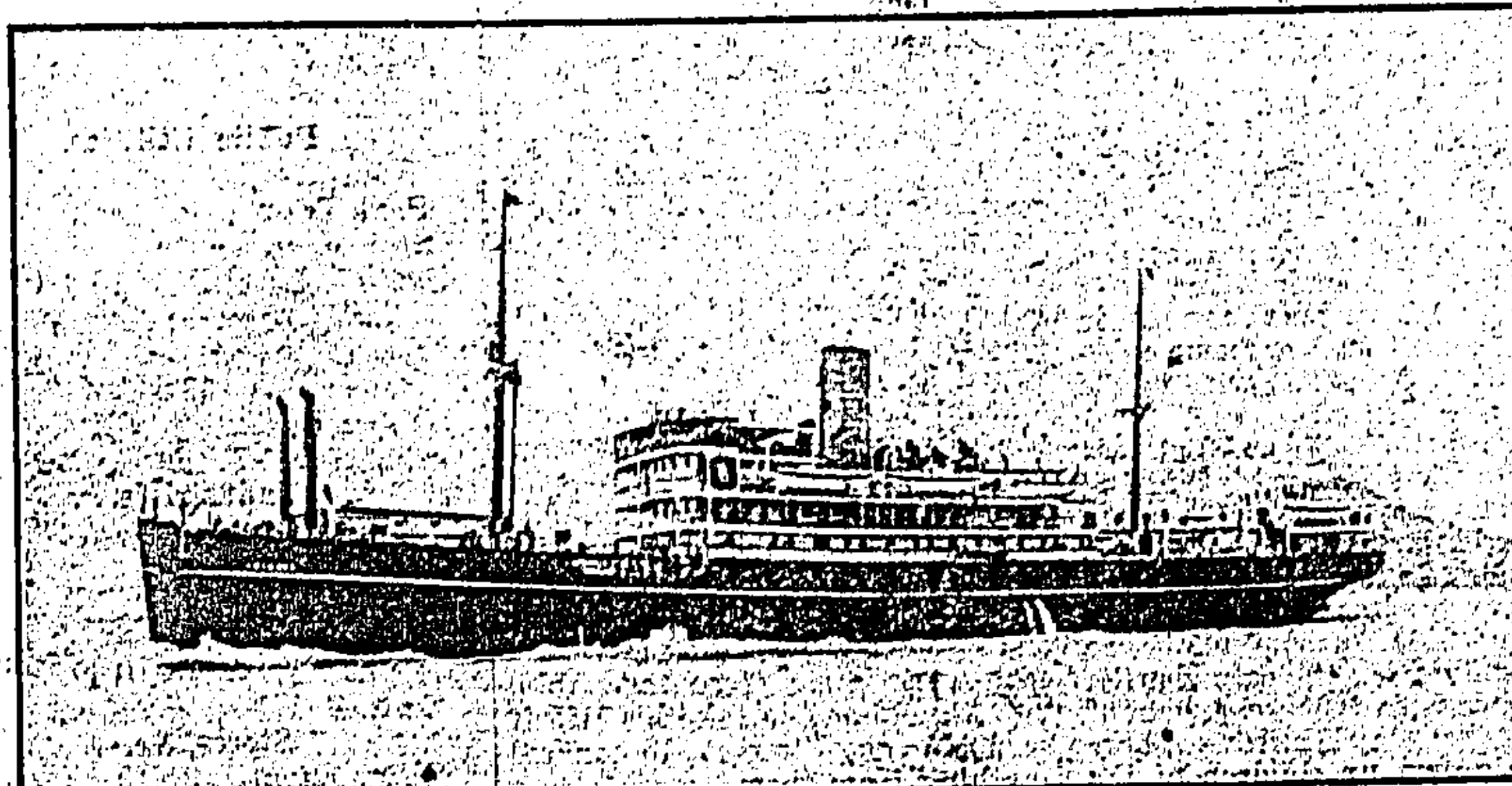
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MANTUA	10,946	11th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	19th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	9th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,114	13th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	7 Jan. 1928.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MAEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	13th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,114	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MANTUA	10,946	2nd Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	13th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	27th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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A HOTEL KEEPER'S
COMPLAINT.

THE COAL 'OLE AND THE
KING EDWARD.

Stating that any trouble occur-
ing at the Coal 'Ole was liable to
overflow and involve the King
Edward Hotel, Mr. James H.
Witchell complained at this morn-
ing's meeting of the Licensing
Board against the close proximity
of the entrance to the Coal 'Ole
(run by the Savoy Hotel) to the
public bar of the King Edward
Hotel.

If nothing could be done, Mr.
Witchell stated, the King Edward
Hotel proprietors were proposing
to open an establishment in their
basement on similar lines.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, who pre-
sided, pointed out that the King
Edward Hotel would first have to
comply with the requirements of
the Sanitary Department. If the
Sanitary Board had no objection,
then Mr. Witchell could again
apply to the Licensing Board.

Publican's licences were granted
by the Board to the Repulse Bay
Hotel, Hongkong Hotel, King
Edward Hotel, Palace Hotel, and
Kowloon Hotel.

Publican's licences without bar
were granted to the Cafe Regent,
Lane Crawford's Restaurant, and
Hotel Savoy.

Hotel-keeper's adjunct licences
were granted to the Peak Hotel,
Station Hotel, Tokyo Hotel,
Chitose Hotel, Shodoraku Hotel,
Suehiro Hotel, Metropole Hotel,
Empress Hotel, Chitose Kwan
Hotel, Tung Shan Hotel, and Hotel
Asia.

Restaurant-keeper's adjunct
licences were granted to the
Yamakawa Hotel, Cafe Alexandra,
Tsukinoya, Harunoya Hotel, South
China Restaurant, Queen's Cafe,
Teria, Ka Ping, Wanchai Res-
taurant, and the Bombay Cafe.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster occupied
the chair, and the members
present were:—the Hon. Mr. J.
Owen-Hughes, Mr. H. B. L.
Dowbiggin, Mr. G. Grimble and
Mr. T. H. King.

SOUTH AFRICAN
MINERALS.GOVERNMENT PLANS
CRITICISED.

Capetown, Nov. 3.
The cordial atmosphere engender-
ed by the flag settlement was
notably lacking in connexion with
the Senate's discussion of the pre-
cious stones and iron and steel
Bills.

The former emerged from the
committee stage considerably
amended, despite the Government
spokesman's refusal to accept the
amendments, while as regards the
second Bill, the Senate carried a
motion adversely commenting on
the Government, and referring the
Bill to a select committee.—*Reuter*.

WORLD DISARMAMENT
PROSPECTS.

THE PREMIER'S VIEWS.

London, Nov. 3.
Mr. Baldwin, speaking at Edin-
burgh, referring to the League of
Nations and the divergence of
view regarding the 1924 protocol,
said he hoped that the frank ex-
change of views last September
had made all realise that the
League, while maintaining its
ideals, must keep its immediate
activities within the limits of what
was possible at the present
moment.

He was of the opinion that if the
first disarmament conference
should end in the limitation of
armaments, that in itself would be
a great step.—*Reuter*.

FAMOUS SINGER'S
DIVORCE.

MOSCOW COURT'S DECISION.

Moscow, Nov. 3.
The people's court has granted
the artist Chalapin a decree of
divorce on the singer's terms, in
view of the mutual agreement be-
tween himself and his wife to the
conditions.—*Reuter*.

A message of October 30 stated:
The Court has informed the wife
of the well-known singer Chalapin
that her husband has applied for a
dissolution of his marriage. He has
offered to pay his wife a life an-
nuity of £3,000 monthly. The
Court will hear the case shortly.
Chalapin's wife is an ex-artist of
the Moscow grand ballet. There
are five grown up children of the
marriage, all stage artists.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to
to-day's questions:—
1. 15. 2. A village in Worcestershire. 3.
Leverett. 4. Sir Charles A. Batho. 5. Species
of willow. 6. Sussex Downs near Worthing.
7. The Marquis de Morny del Val. 8. William
Archer. 9. The Green Goddess. 10. The
Relphinstons. 11. The first three stories
mentioned. 12. A man who cuts grass.

OUR DAILY TALK ON
HEALTH.

DOES BAD WEATHER CHEER
US UP?

VIEWS ON SUICIDE.

A noted psychiatrist said that
an Italian finding himself in dif-
ficulty takes steps to kill the third
angle to his triangle. Under
similar circumstances, the Scan-
dinavian is likely to commit sui-
cide.

An analysis of the race factors
involved in suicide in the United
States permits the investigator to
draw certain general conclusions.
In the population, Irish, Italian
and Polish immigrants show a
slight tendency to suicide, whereas
Germans and Scandinavians mani-
fest a pronounced tendency in that
direction.

As previously pointed out, the
negro commits suicide far less
frequently than does the white
man, the Indian slightly less fre-
quently, and the Chinese and
Japanese far more frequently.
None of the foreign races learned
suicide from the American or from
the white man, since all of them
knew of suicide before mingling
with the white race.

Weather and Disease.

Much has been said of the re-
lationship of the weather or of
disease to the occurrence of sui-
cide. The suicide rate is higher
in the northern countries than in
the southern countries.

The two hottest months, July
and August, are not the months
of highest suicide rates. In the
United States, the line that marks
the development of the suicide
rate from its lowest to its highest
point draws from New York city
or Boston to San Francisco.

The east end of the line is noted
for its cold and disagreeable
weather and for bad winters. It
has the lowest suicide rate. The
west end of the line is in the
region which talks most about its
climate and about being a land of
eternal sunshine and yet it is the
place of most frequent suicide.

In practically all cases where it
is possible to gain some under-
standing of an individual's pre-
vious emotional state, depression
is mentioned as almost invariably
present. If mental depression
may be taken as a sign of mental
disease, then one-fifth to one-third
of all suicides are mentally dis-
eased. It is perhaps safer to say
that mental depression may be
considered a danger signal.

Religious Angle.

Practically all religions "have
disapproved of suicide. It seems
reasonable to believe that the un-
believer and the atheist are more
likely to commit suicide than the
person who believes in a future
life, full of possible punishments.
The statistics seem to indicate
that the dread of punishment
beyond the grave is a potent and
prevalent preventive of self-
destruction.

In Europe the suicide rates are
higher for Protestant than for
Catholic countries. It is perhaps
safe to say with Dr. Frenay that
the race and temperament of the
people and the economic condi-
tions must be taken into account
before passing judgment on the
greater or lesser tendency to sui-
cide.

IRENE PIRACY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

You continued in that state
throughout?—Yes.

In reply to a question from the
Bench, Mr. Innes said: "Well,
what could we do. All the officers
were more or less scared, and no
one showed more boldness than
the others. We had to leave our
meals in our cabins,—at least I
did."

Passenger's Experience.

A merchant of Amoy, named
Shiu Ching-chung, who was travel-
ling first-class, said that the fourth
defendant and another man who
was not in Court, first entered his
cabin and forced him to give them
\$5 from a small box. He had
hoped to save some other money,
amounting to \$45 in silver, but
was disappointed in this by an-
other search carried out by a
second batch of pirates, who in
addition to the money, also carried
away a roll of silk, a fur-lined
coat, three pairs of satin shoes,
and two dozen pairs of socks. As
each gang came into the cabin,
they threatened to take his life if
he made any attempt to conceal
anything from them.

It was the first defendant who
on the following morning took him
aside and subjected him to another
inquisition, in which he was made
to understand that he would be
taken ashore and held for ransom
if he would not surrender other
monies which he was presumed
still to have.

The hearing was resumed this
afternoon.

MR. T. V. SOONG'S
RETURN.

MAY BE GIVEN FINANCE
POST.

Both the Canton Government
and the big Chinese banks and
native banks in Canton have re-
quested T. V. Soong, at present
a Commissioner of the Kuomint-
ang Executive Committee, to take
up the office of Minister of Fin-
ance to the Canton Government,
according to the vernacular press.

The report says that the present
Finance Minister, Mr. Chau Min-
cho, is entertaining the idea of
presenting his resignation to the
Government soon, owing to the
fact that recently there was an
indication of a decrease in the
monthly revenue of Kwangtung
Province, by almost a million
dollars.

The matter will be considered
in the Canton Political Council
soon, and it is learned that some
members of this council declare
that Mr. T. V. Soong is a more
capable financier than the present
Minister.

But whether Mr. Soong will
agree to take the position is a moot
point, for when he arrived in
Hongkong a few days ago and was
interviewed by the press regard-
ing his mission to Canton, Mr.
Soong said that his return would
be but a matter of a few days's
stay, adding that it was purely a
private affair which made him re-
turn to South China, and there
was nothing political attached to it.

Formerly the monthly revenue
of Kwangtung Province was more
than seven million dollars, but
now the amount has decreased to
a little over six millions, declares
the vernacular press.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local
share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1140 s.
Chartered Bank, £201 b.
Mercantile A. & B., \$311 n.
Mercantile C., \$133 n.
P. and O., \$10 n.
East Asia, \$68 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$565 s.
Union Ins., \$392 s.
North China, Ins. Tls. 143 n.
Yangtze Ins., \$461 b.
China Underwriters, \$120 s.
China Pires, \$215 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$590 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$351 s.
H. K. Steamboats, \$21 s.
H. K. Tugs, \$190 n.
Indo-Chinese, (Prof.) \$30 n.
Shell Trans., \$91/- n.
Union Waterboats, \$17 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$21 n.
Kailans, \$2/6 n.
Langkats, Tls. \$16.60 n.
Shai Exploration, Tls. 3 s.
Raube, \$37 b.
Tronohs, 19/3 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$119 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$35 s.
China Providents, \$4 n.
Hongkows, Tls. 145 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 4.60 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 39 b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 7.60 s.
Orientals, Tls. 2.20 n.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 4.61 b.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$61 s.
H. K. Lands, \$561 s.
Shai Lands, Tls. 117 b.
Humphreys, \$12.10 b.
Realties, \$6.60 b.
Territorials, \$11 s.
Princes Palace, \$190 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$20 b.
Peak Trams, (old) \$14 s.
Star Ferries, \$54 n.
China Lights, (Comb.) \$12 n.
H'kong Electric, \$524 b.
Macao Electric, \$43 n.
Telephones, \$3.65 b.
China Buses, Tls. 6 b.
Singapore Traction, 12/9 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, \$13 n.
Malabona, \$30 s.
Canton Iron, \$5 n.
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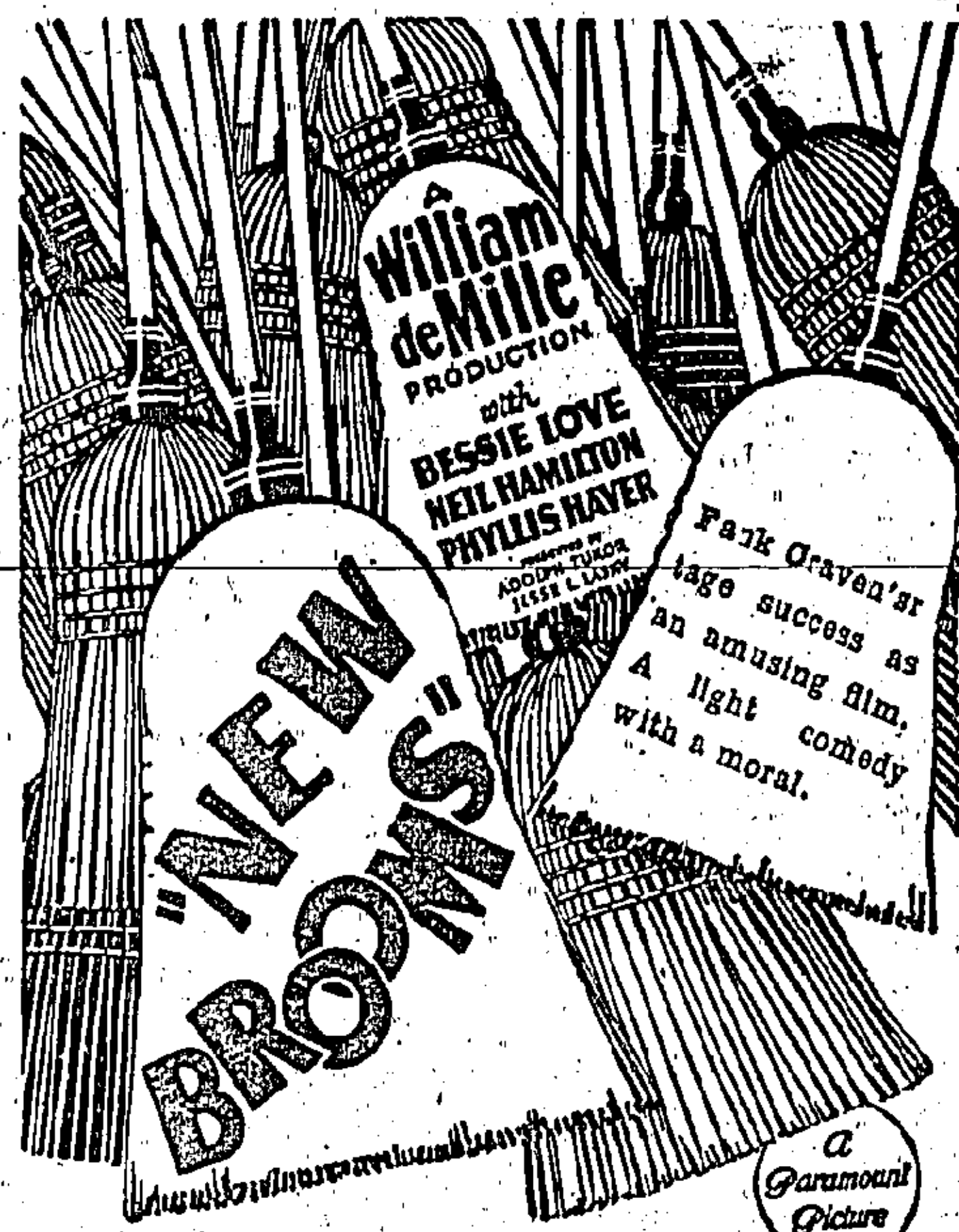
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